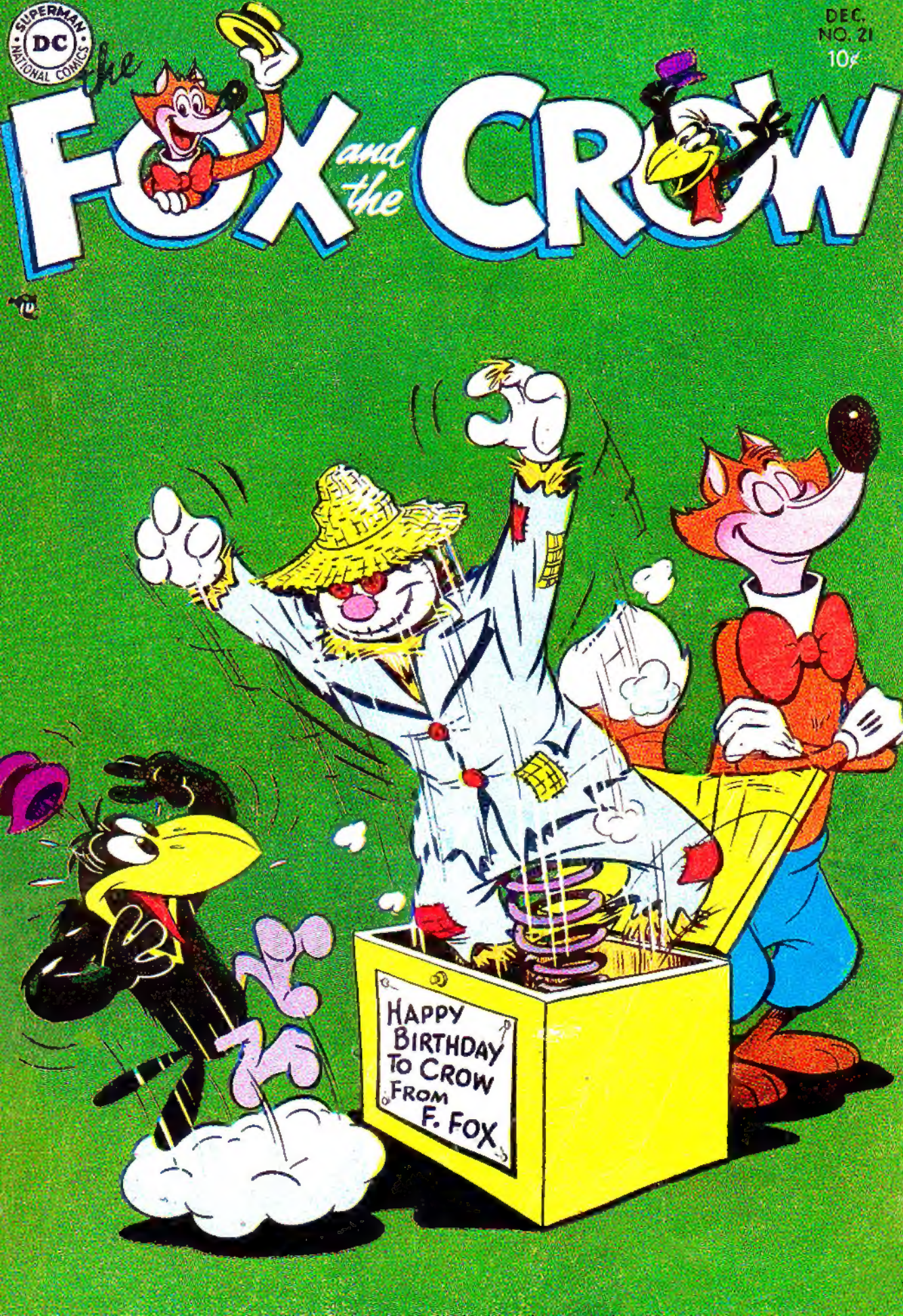
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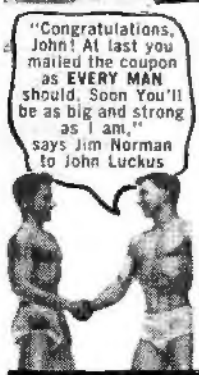
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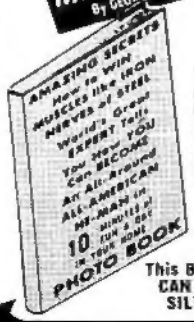
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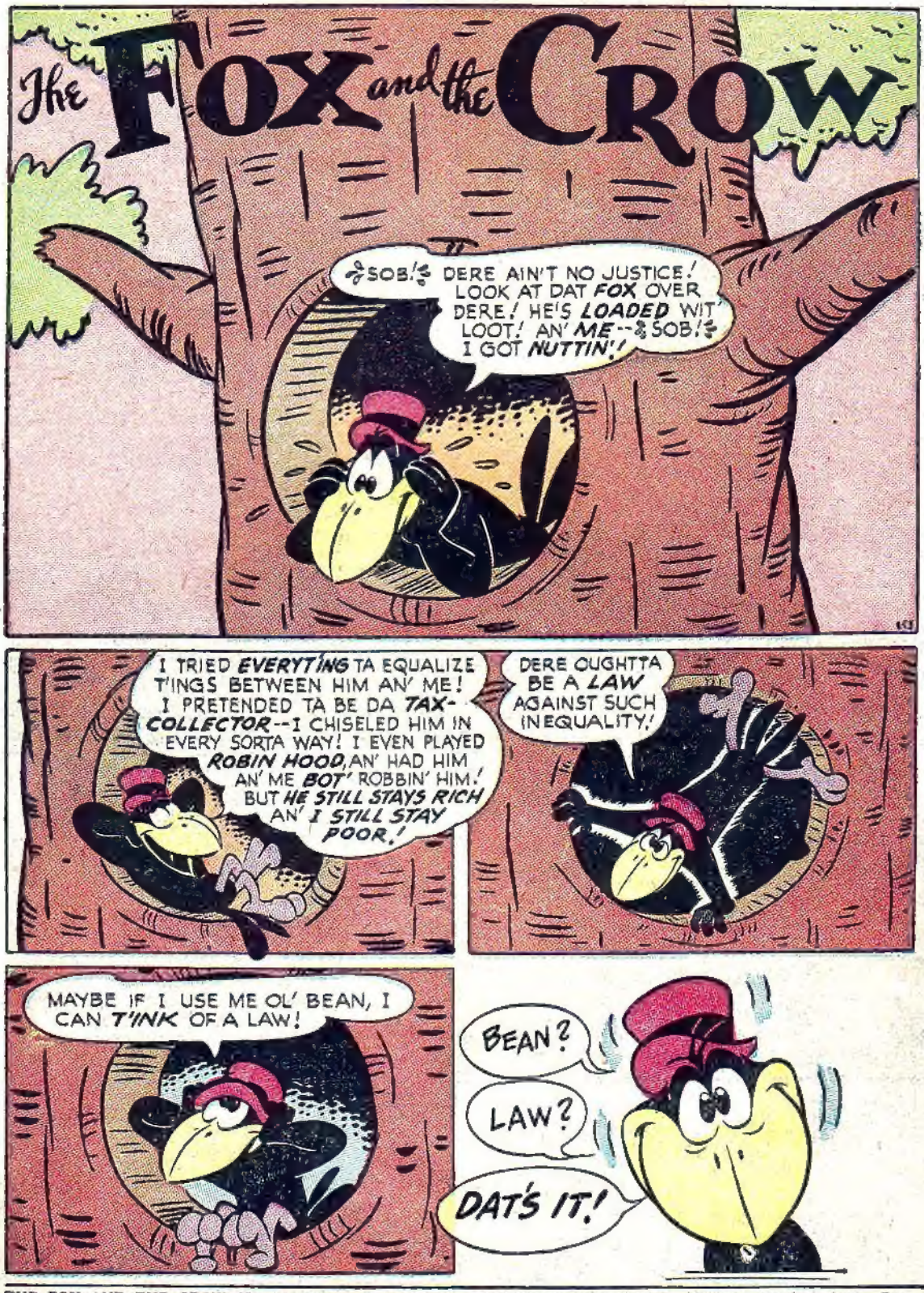
The FOX and the CROW
SOB! DERE AIN'T NO JUSTICE! LOOK AT DAT FOX OVER DERE! HE'S LOADED WIT' LOOT! AN' ME--SOB! I GOT NUTTIN'!
I TRIED EVERYTING TA EQUALIZE T'INGS BETWEEN HIM AN' ME! I PRETENDED TA BE DA TAX-COLLECTOR--I CHISELED HIM IN EVERY SORTA WAY! I EVEN PLAYED ROBIN HOOD, AN' HAD HIM AN' ME BOT' ROBBIN' HIM! BUT HE STILL STAYS RICH AN' I STILL STAY POOR!
DERE OUGHTTA BE A LAW AGAINST SUCH INEQUALITY!
MAYBE IF I USE ME OL' BEAN, I CAN T'INK OF A LAW!
BEAN?
LAW?
DAT'S IT!

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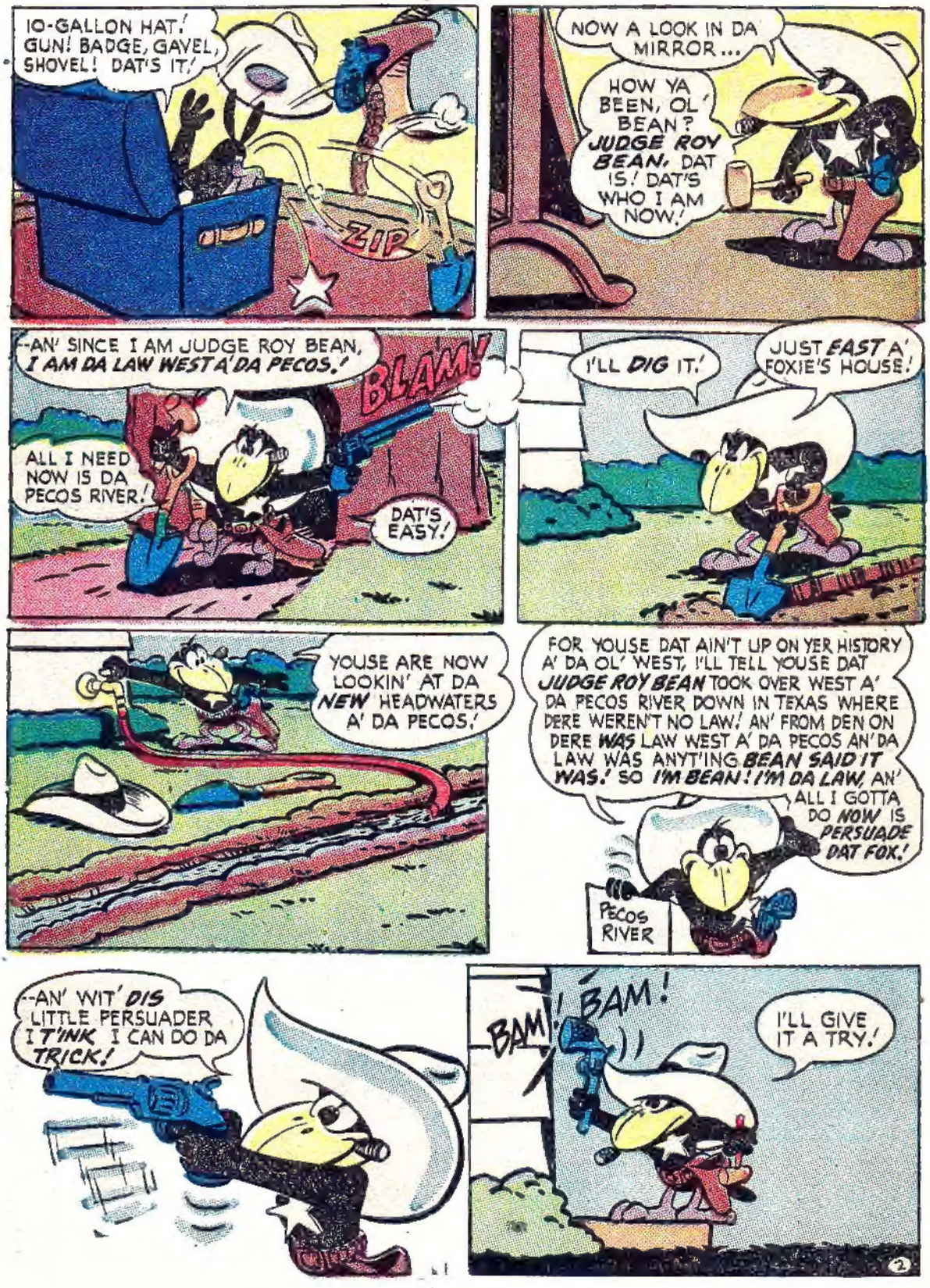
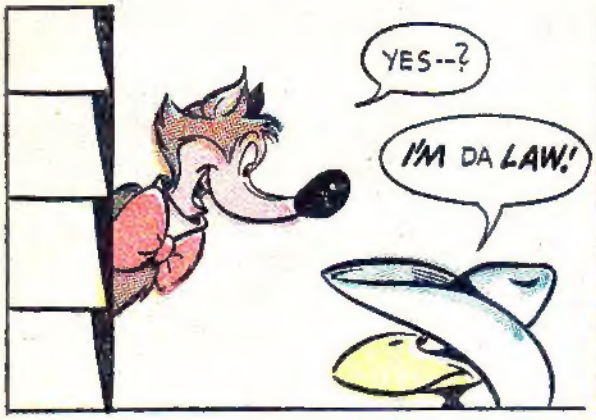
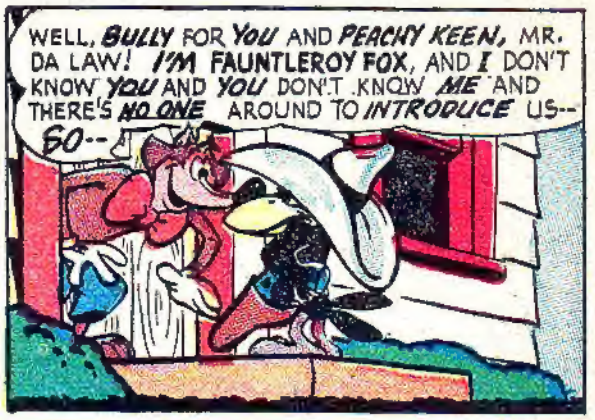
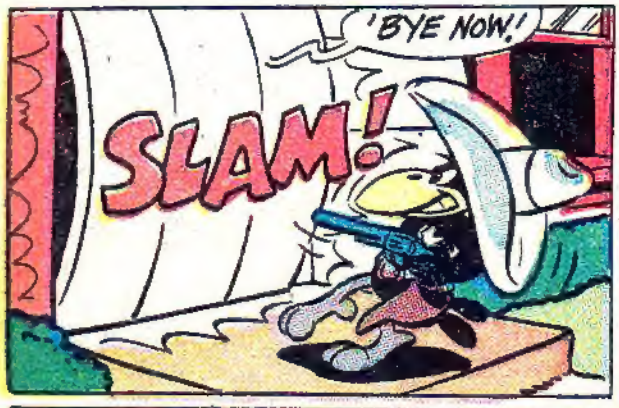
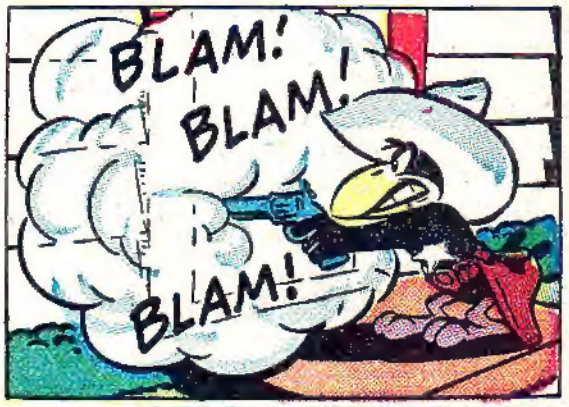
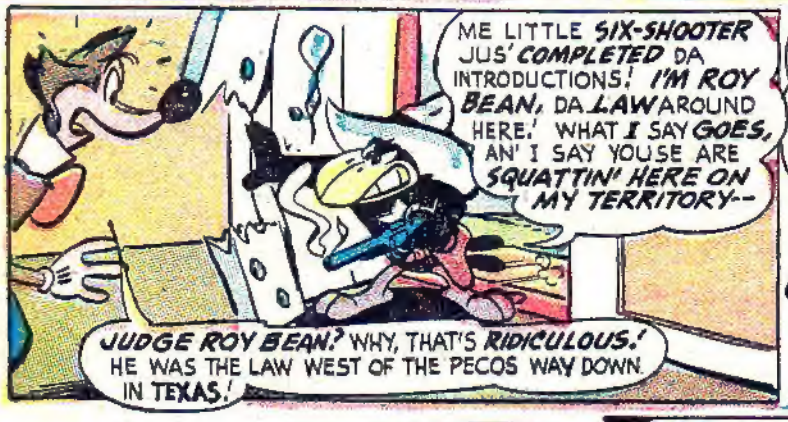

10-GALLON HAT! GUN! BADGE, GAVEL, SHOVEL! DAT'S IT!
ZIP
NOW A LOOK IN DA MIRROR...
HOW YA BEEN, OL' BEAN? JUDGE ROY BEAN, DAT IS! DAT'S WHO I AM NOW!
--AN' SINCE I AM JUDGE ROY BEAN, I AM DA LAW WEST A' DA PECOS!
BLAM!
ALL I NEED NOW IS DA PECOS RIVER!
DAT'S EASY!
I'LL DIG IT.
JUST FAST A' FOXIE'S HOUSE!
YOUSE ARE NOW LOOKIN' AT DA NEW HEADWATERS A' DA PECOS!
FOR YOUSE DAT AIN'T UP ON YER HISTORY A' DA OL' WEST, I'LL TELL YOUSE DAT JUDGE ROY BEAN TOOK OVER WEST A' DA PECOS RIVER DOWN IN TEXAS WHERE DERE WEREN'T NO LAW! AN' FROM DEN ON DERE WAS LAW WEST A' DA PECOS AN' DA LAW WAS ANYT'ING BEAN SAID IT WAS.' SO I'M BEAN! I'M DA LAW, AN' ALL I GOTTA DO NOW IS PERSUADE DAT FOX!
PECOS RIVER
--AN' WIT' DIS LITTLE PERSUADER I T'INK I CAN DO DA TRICK!
BAM! BAM!
I'LL GIVE IT A TRY!


YES--?
I'M DA LAW!


WELL, BULLY FOR YOU AND PEACHY KEEN, MR. DA LAW! I'M FAUNTLEROY FOX, AND I DON'T KNOW YOU AND YOU DON'T KNOW ME AND THERE'S NO ONE AROUND TO INTRODUCE US--
SO--


'BYE NOW!
SLAM!

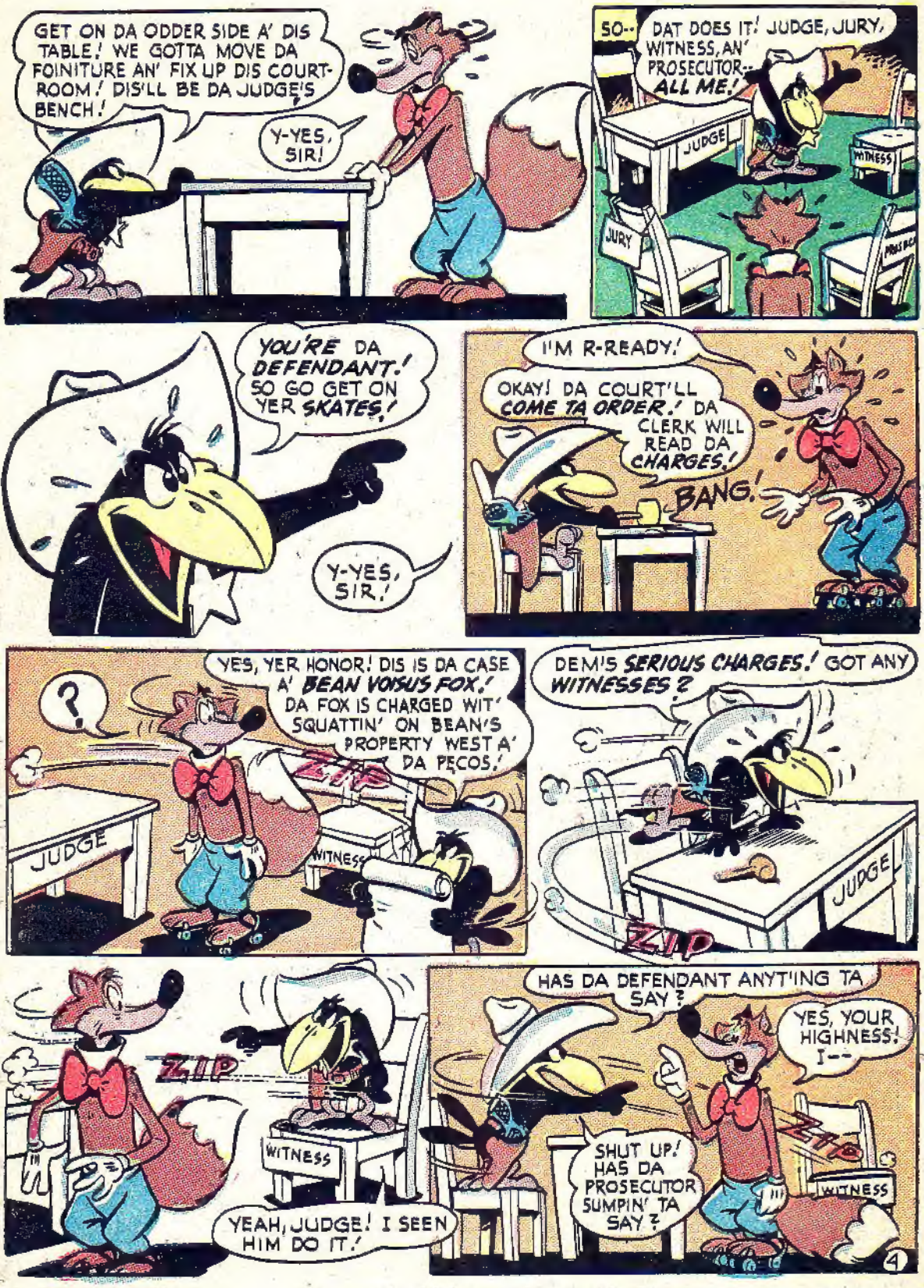

BLAM!
BLAM!
BLAM!

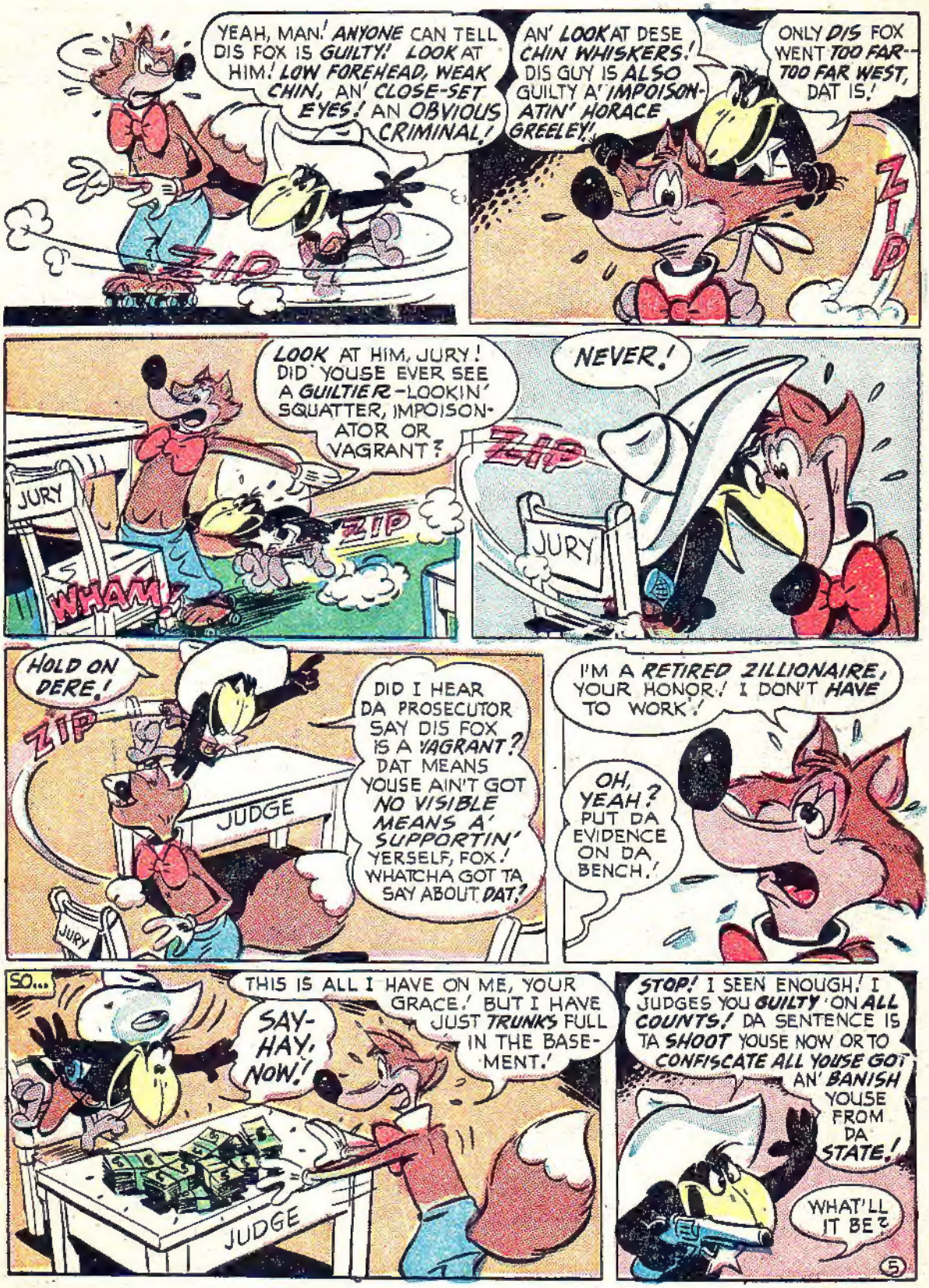

ME LITTLE SIX-SHOOTER JUS' COMPLETED DA INTRODUCTIONS! I'M ROY BEAN, DA LAW AROUND HERE! WHAT I SAY GOES, AN' I SAY YOUSE ARE SQUATTIN' HERE ON MY TERRITORY--
JUDGE ROY BEAN? WHY, THAT'S RIDICULOUS! HE WAS THE LAW WEST OF THE PECOS WAY DOWN IN TEXAS!

WELL, I GOT NEWS FOR YOUSE, TENDERFOOT! DA PECOS HAS CHANGED ITS COURSE! IT'S FLOWIN' DOWN DA EAST SIDE A' DIS HOUSE! IF YA DON'T BELIEVE IT, TAKE A LOOK!

HEAVENS TO BETSY-- HE'S RIGHT!
PECOS RIVER

I'M ALWAYS RIGHT IN MY TERRITORY! YOUSE ARE UNDER ARREST!
D-DON'T POINT THAT THING AT ME!
IT MIGHT GO OFF!
WE'LL HOLD DA TRIAL HERE!


GET ON DA ODDER SIDE A' DIS TABLE! WE GOTTA MOVE DA FOINITURE AN' FIX UP DIS COURT-ROOM! DIS'LL BE DA JUDGE'S BENCH!
Y-YES, SIR!
SO--
DAT DOES IT! JUDGE, JURY, WITNESS, AN' PROSECUTOR-- ALL ME!
JUDGE
WITNESS
JURY
YOU'RE DA DEFENDANT! SO GO GET ON YER SKATES!
Y-YES, SIR!
I'M R-READY!
OKAY! DA COURT'LL COME TA ORDER! DA CLERK WILL READ DA CHARGES!
BANG!
YES, YER HONOR! DIS IS DA CASE A' BEAN VOISUS FOX! DA FOX IS CHARGED WIT' SQUATTIN' ON BEAN'S PROPERTY WEST A' DA PECOS!
?
ZIP
JUDGE
WITNESS
DEM'S SERIOUS CHARGES! GOT ANY WITNESSES?
JUDGE
ZIP
ZIP
WITNESS
YEAH, JUDGE! I SEEN HIM DO IT!
HAS DA DEFENDANT ANYT'ING TA SAY?
YES, YOUR HIGHNESS! I--
SHUT UP! HAS DA PROSECUTOR SUMPIN' TA SAY?
ZIP
WITNESS


YEAH, MAN! ANYONE CAN TELL DIS FOX IS GUILTY! LOOK AT HIM! LOW FOREHEAD, WEAK CHIN, AN' CLOSE-SET EYES! AN OBVIOUS CRIMINAL!
ZIP
AN' LOOK AT DESE CHIN WHISKERS! DIS GUY IS ALSO GUILTY A' IMPOISONATIN' HORACE GREELEY!
ONLY DIS FOX WENT TOO FAR--TOO FAR WEST, DAT IS!
ZIP
LOOK AT HIM, JURY! DID YOUSE EVER SEE A GUILTIER-LOOKIN' SQUATTER, IMPOISONATOR OR VAGRANT?
JURY
WHAM!
ZIP
NEVER!
ZIP
JURY
HOLD ON DERE!
ZIP
JUDGE
JURY
DID I HEAR DA PROSECUTOR SAY DIS FOX IS A VAGRANT? DAT MEANS YOUSE AIN'T GOT NO VISIBLE MEANS A' SUPPORTIN' YERSELF, FOX! WHATCHA GOT TA SAY ABOUT DAT?
I'M A RETIRED ZILLIONAIRE, YOUR HONOR! I DON'T HAVE TO WORK!
OH, YEAH? PUT DA EVIDENCE ON DA BENCH!
SO...
THIS IS ALL I HAVE ON ME, YOUR GRACE! BUT I HAVE JUST TRUNKS FULL IN THE BASEMENT!
SAY-HAY, NOW!
JUDGE
STOP! I SEEN ENOUGH! I JUDGES YOU GUILTY ON ALL COUNTS! DA SENTENCE IS TA SHOOT YOUSE NOW OR TO CONFISCATE ALL YOUSE GOT AN' BANISH YOUSE FROM DA STATE!
WHAT'LL IT BE?
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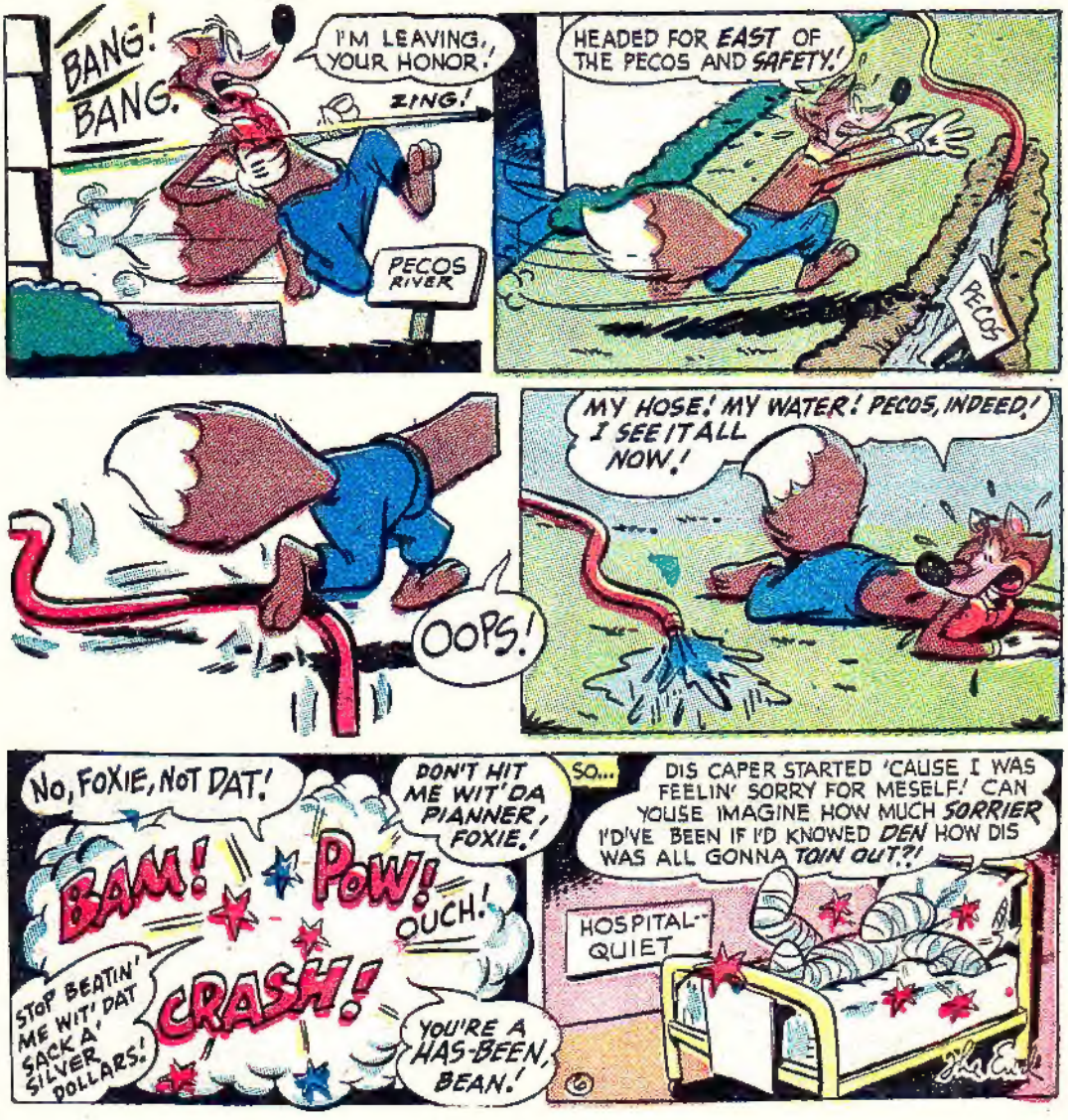
BANG! BANG.
I'M LEAVING, YOUR HONOR.
ZING!
PECOS RIVER
HEADED FOR EAST OF THE PECOS AND SAFETY!
PECOS
OOPS!
MY HOSE! MY WATER! PECOS, INDEED! I SEE IT ALL NOW!
No, FOXIE, NOT DAT!
DON'T HIT ME WIT' DA PIANNER, FOXIE.
BAM!
POW!
OUCH!
CRASH!
STOP BEATIN' ME WIT' DAT SACK A' SILVER DOLLARS!
YOU'RE A HAS-BEEN, BEAN.
SO...
DIS CAPER STARTED 'CAUSE I WAS FEELIN' SORRY FOR MESELF! CAN YOUSE IMAGINE HOW MUCH SORRIER I'D'VE BEEN IF I'D KNOWED DEN HOW DIS WAS ALL GONNA TOIN OUT?!
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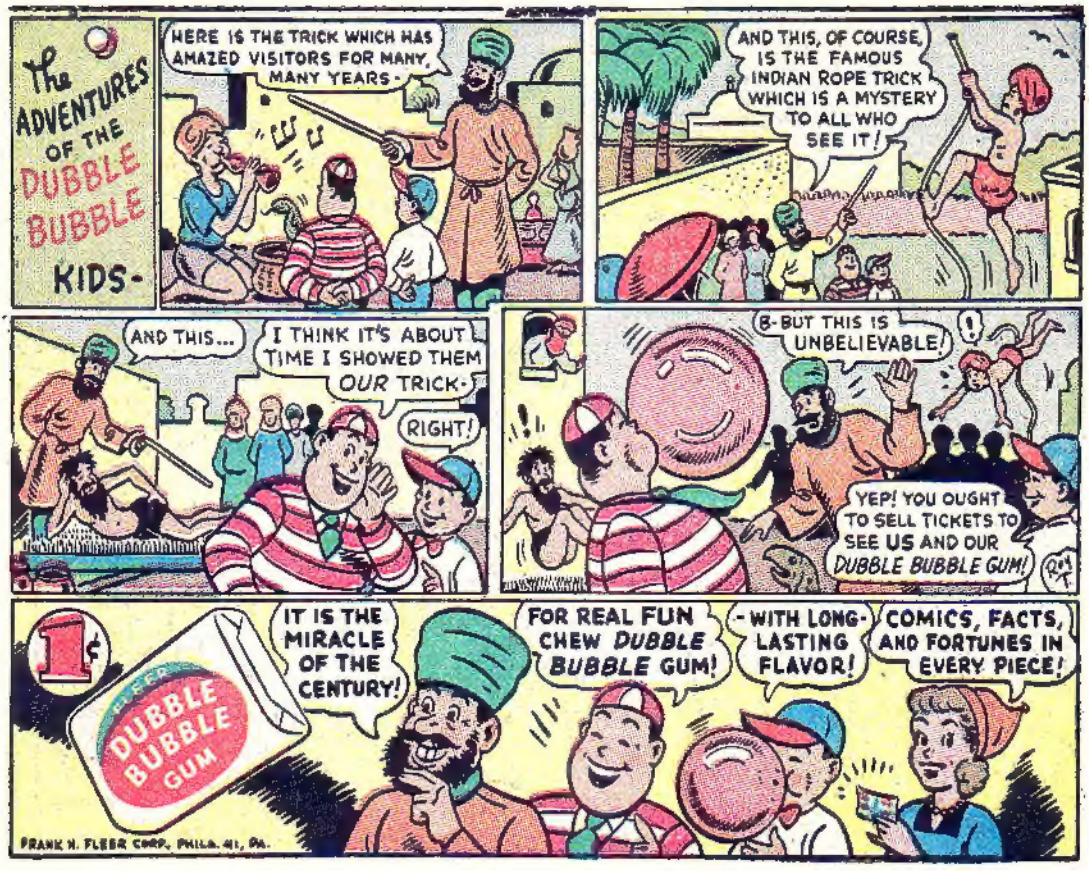
The ADVENTURES OF THE DUBBLE BUBBLE KIDS-
HERE IS THE TRICK WHICH HAS AMAZED VISITORS FOR MANY, MANY YEARS-
AND THIS, OF COURSE, IS THE FAMOUS INDIAN ROPE TRICK WHICH IS A MYSTERY TO ALL WHO SEE IT!
AND THIS...
I THINK IT'S ABOUT TIME I SHOWED THEM OUR TRICK-
RIGHT!
8-BUT THIS IS UNBELIEVABLE!
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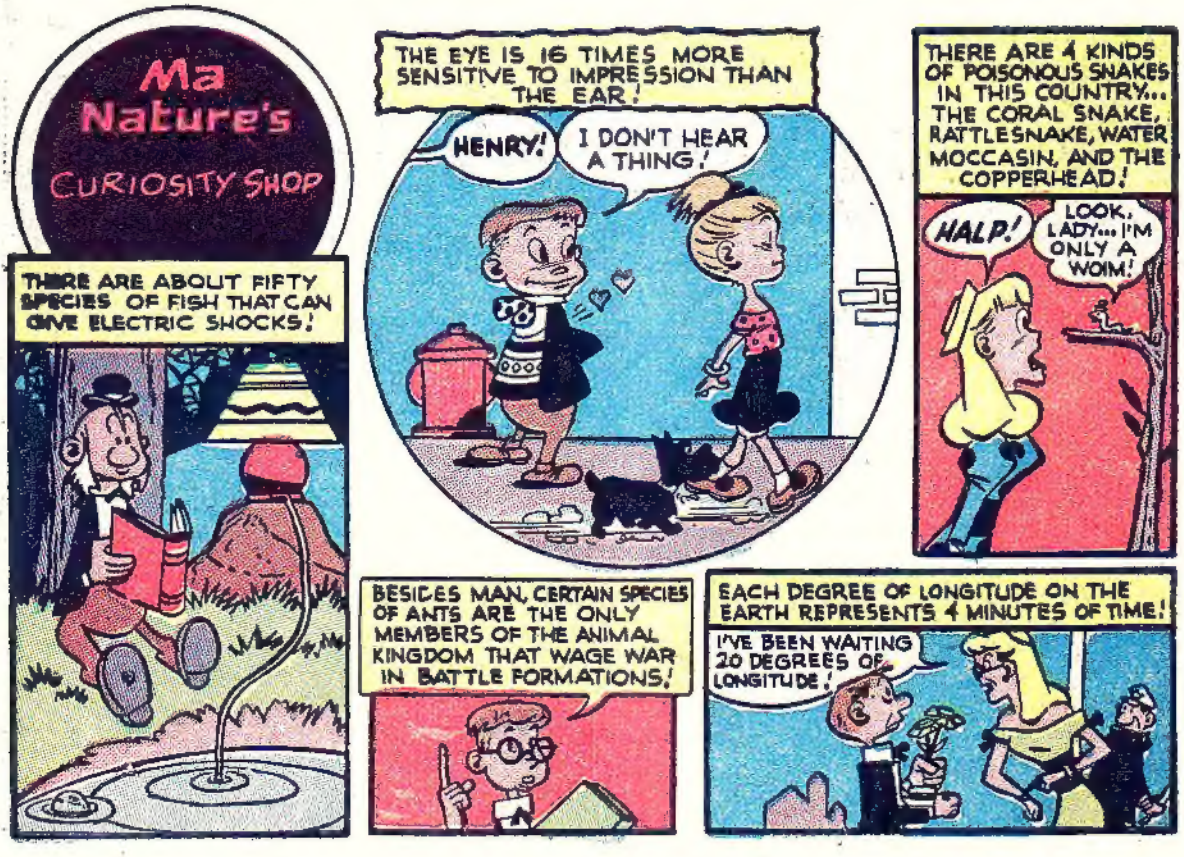
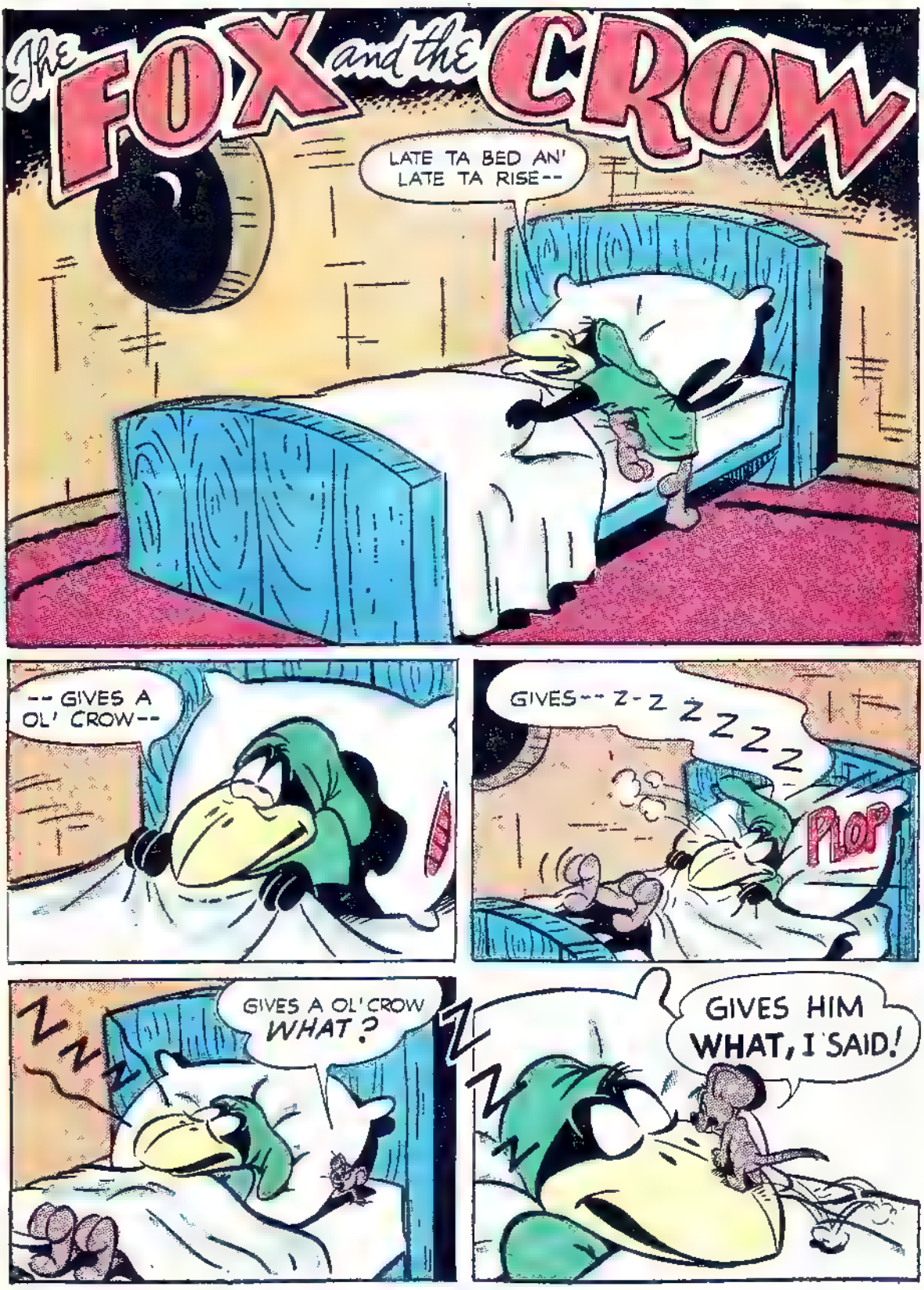
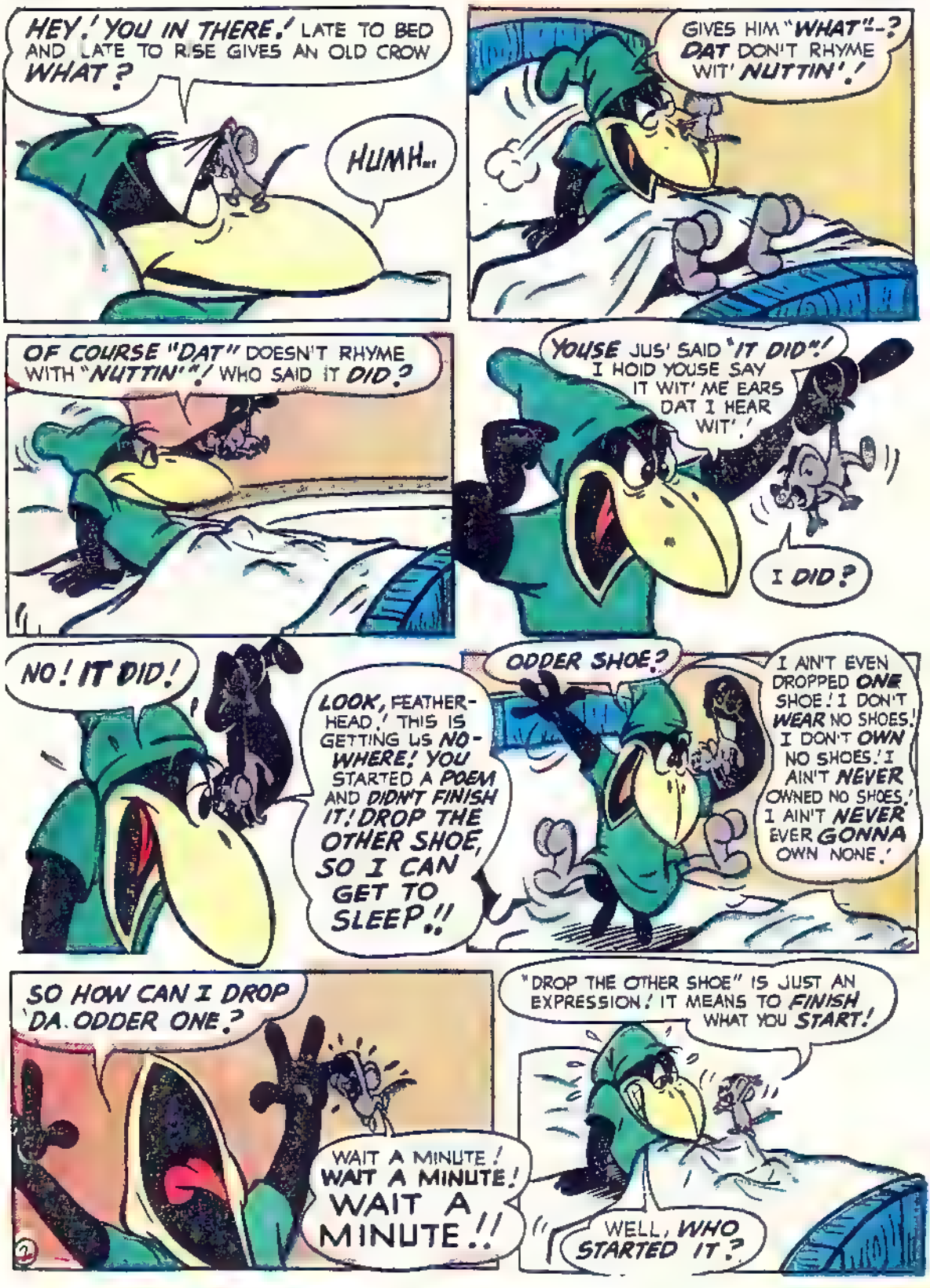
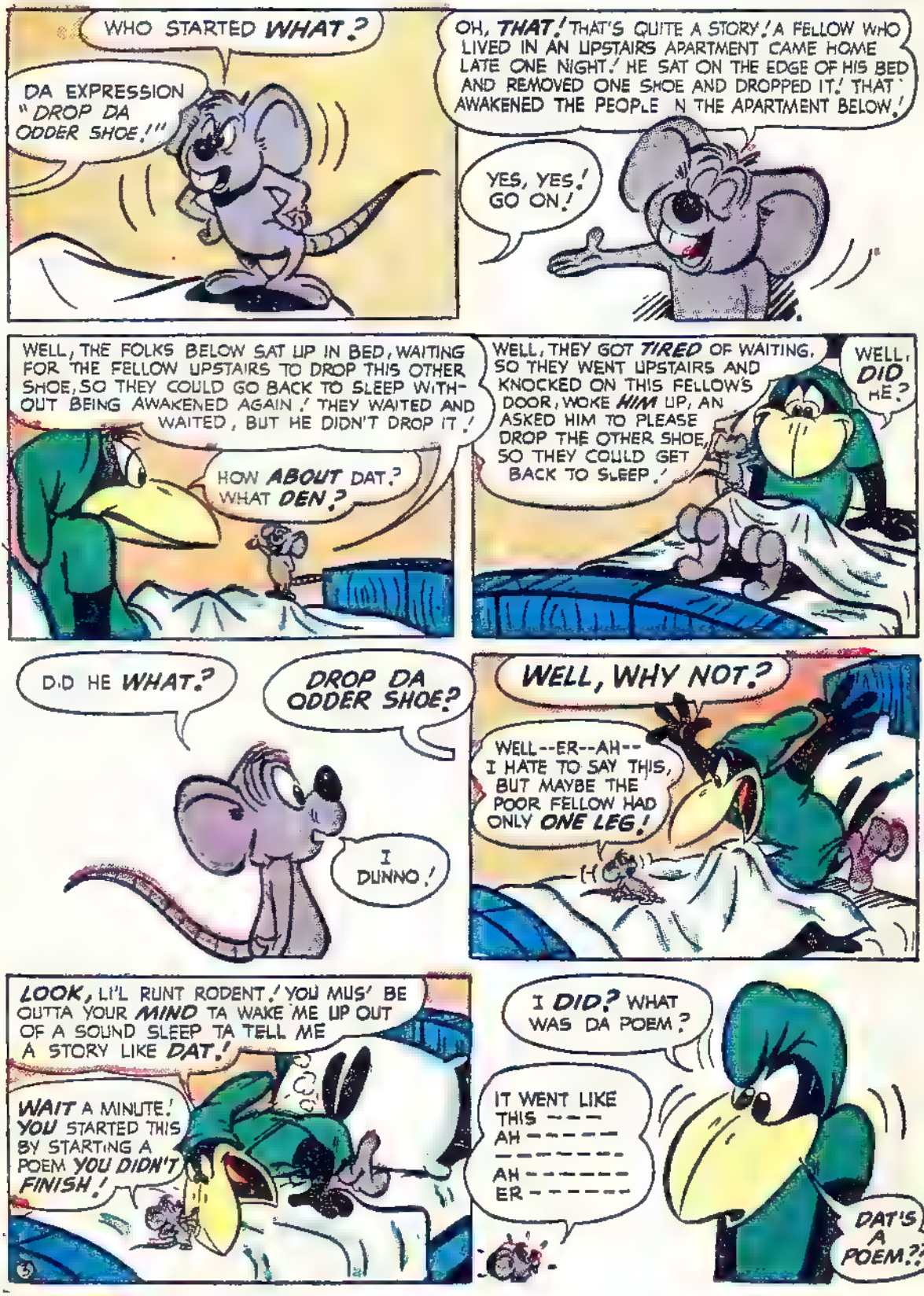

Ma Nature's CURIOSITY SHOP
THERE ARE ABOUT FIFTY SPECIES OF FISH THAT CAN GIVE ELECTRIC SHOCKS!
THE EYE IS 16 TIMES MORE SENSITIVE TO IMPRESSION THAN THE EAR!
HENRY!
I DON'T HEAR A THING!
THERE ARE 4 KINDS OF POISONOUS SNAKES IN THIS COUNTRY... THE CORAL SNAKE, RATTLESNAKE, WATER MOCCASIN, AND THE COPPERHEAD!
HALP!
LOOK, LADY... I'M ONLY A WOIM!
BESIDES MAN, CERTAIN SPECIES OF ANTS ARE THE ONLY MEMBERS OF THE ANIMAL KINGDOM THAT WAGE WAR IN BATTLE FORMATIONS!
EACH DEGREE OF LONGITUDE ON THE EARTH REPRESENTS 4 MINUTES OF TIME!
I'VE BEEN WAITING 20 DEGREES OF LONGITUDE!


The FOX and the CROW
LATE TA BED AN' LATE TA RISE--
-- GIVES A OL' CROW--
GIVES-- Z-Z ZZZZ
PLOP
GIVES A OL' CROW WHAT?
GIVES HIM WHAT, I SAID!


HEY,' YOU IN THERE.' LATE TO BED AND LATE TO RISE GIVES AN OLD CROW WHAT?
HUMH...
GIVES HIM "WHAT"-? DAT DON'T RHYME WIT' NUTTIN'.'
OF COURSE "DAT" DOESN'T RHYME WITH "NUTTIN"'! WHO SAID IT DID?
YOUSE JUS' SAID "IT DID"! I HOID YOUSE SAY IT WIT' ME EARS DAT I HEAR WIT'.'
I DID?
NO! IT DID!
LOOK, FEATHER-HEAD,' THIS IS GETTING US NO-WHERE! YOU STARTED A POEM AND DIDN'T FINISH IT! DROP THE OTHER SHOE, SO I CAN GET TO SLEEP!!
ODDER SHOE?
I AIN'T EVEN DROPPED ONE SHOE.' I DON'T WEAR NO SHOES.' I DON'T OWN NO SHOES.' I AIN'T NEVER OWNED NO SHOES.' I AIN'T NEVER EVER GONNA OWN NONE.'
SO HOW CAN I DROP 'DA ODDER ONE.?
WAIT A MINUTE! WAIT A MINUTE! WAIT A MINUTE!!
"DROP THE OTHER SHOE" IS JUST AN EXPRESSION.' IT MEANS TO FINISH WHAT YOU START!
WELL, WHO STARTED IT?


WHO STARTED WHAT.?
DA EXPRESSION "DROP DA ODDER SHOE!"
OH, THAT! THAT'S QUITE A STORY! A FELLOW WHO LIVED IN AN UPSTAIRS APARTMENT CAME HOME LATE ONE NIGHT! HE SAT ON THE EDGE OF HIS BED AND REMOVED ONE SHOE AND DROPPED IT! THAT AWAKENED THE PEOPLE N THE APARTMENT BELOW!
YES, YES! GO ON!
WELL, THE FOLKS BELOW SAT UP IN BED, WAITING FOR THE FELLOW UPSTAIRS TO DROP THIS OTHER SHOE, SO THEY COULD GO BACK TO SLEEP WITHOUT BEING AWAKENED AGAIN! THEY WAITED AND WAITED, BUT HE DIDN'T DROP IT!
HOW ABOUT DAT.? WHAT DEN.?
WELL, THEY GOT TIRED OF WAITING, SO THEY WENT UPSTAIRS AND KNOCKED ON THIS FELLOW'S DOOR, WOKE HIM UP, AN ASKED HIM TO PLEASE DROP THE OTHER SHOE, SO THEY COULD GET BACK TO SLEEP.
WELL, DID HE?
D.D HE WHAT.?
DROP DA ODDER SHOE?
I DUNNO!
WELL, WHY NOT.?
WELL--ER--AH-- I HATE TO SAY THIS, BUT MAYBE THE POOR FELLOW HAD ONLY ONE LEG!
LOOK, LI'L RUNT RODENT! YOU MUS' BE OUTTA YOUR MIND TA WAKE ME UP OUT OF A SOUND SLEEP TA TELL ME A STORY LIKE DAT!
WAIT A MINUTE! YOU STARTED THIS BY STARTING A POEM YOU DIDN'T FINISH!
I DID? WHAT WAS DA POEM?
IT WENT LIKE THIS ---
AH -----

AH -----
ER -----
DAT'S A POEM??
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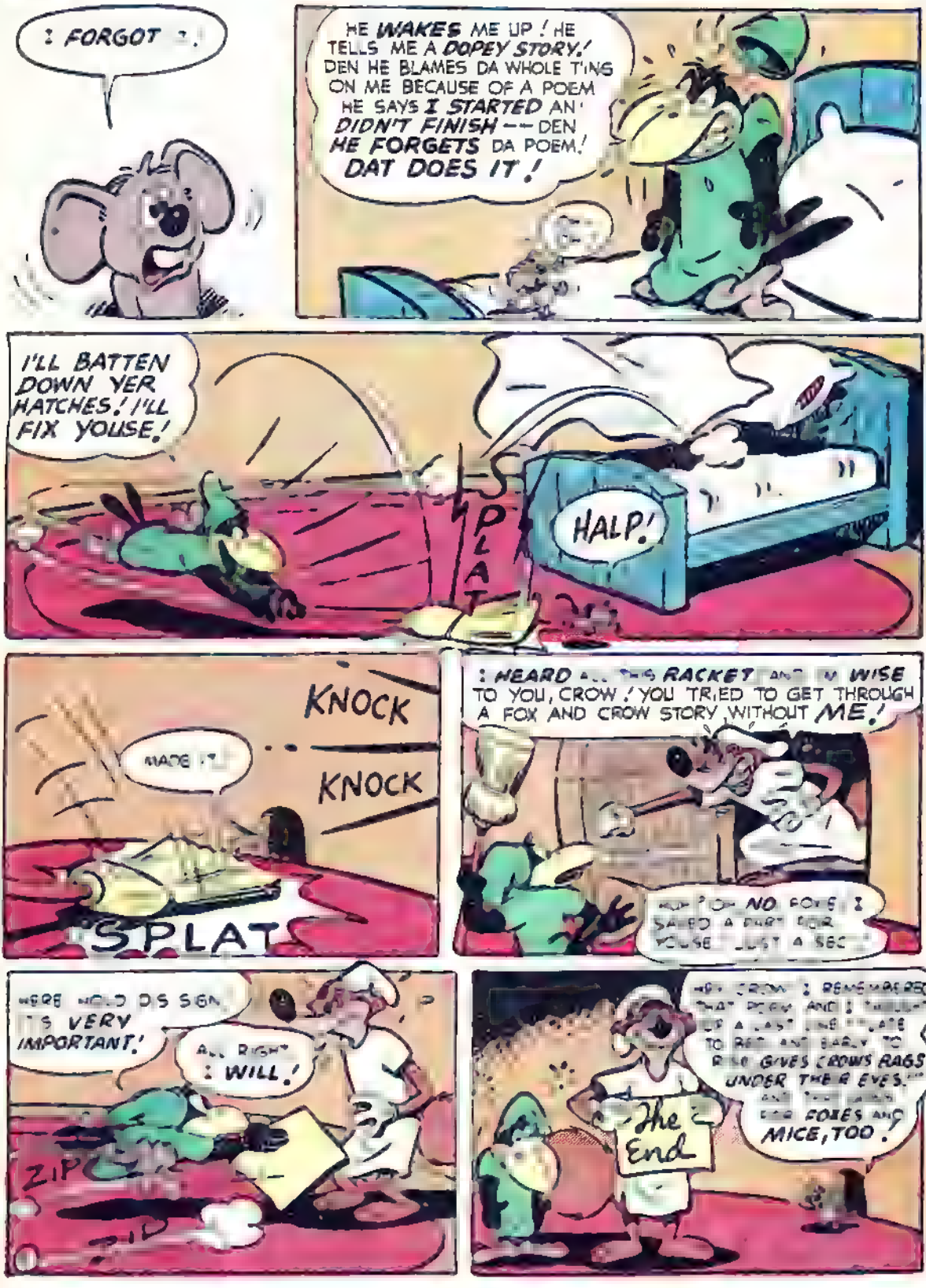
I FORGOT !
HE WAKES ME UP ! HE TELLS ME A DOPEY STORY.' DEN HE BLAMES DA WHOLE TING ON ME BECAUSE OF A POEM HE SAYS I STARTED AN' DIDN'T FINISH — DEN HE FORGETS DA POEM.' DAT DOES IT !
I'LL BATTEN DOWN YER HATCHES! I'LL FIX YOUSE!
SPLAT
HALP!
KNOCK
KNOCK
MADE IT
SPLAT
I HEARD ALL DIS RACKET AND I'M WISE TO YOU, CROW ! YOU TRIED TO GET THROUGH A FOX AND CROW STORY WITHOUT ME!
NO FOXE I SAID A DIRT DOR YOUSE JUST A SEC
HERE HOLD DIS SIGN. IT'S VERY IMPORTANT.'
ALL RIGHT I WILL!
ZIP
ZIP
HE CROW ! REMEMBERED THAT POEM AND I THOUGHT I'D A LAST LINE TO GET ANT EARLY TO RISE GIVES CROWS RAGS UNDER THEIR EYES.' AND FOXES AND MICE, TOO!
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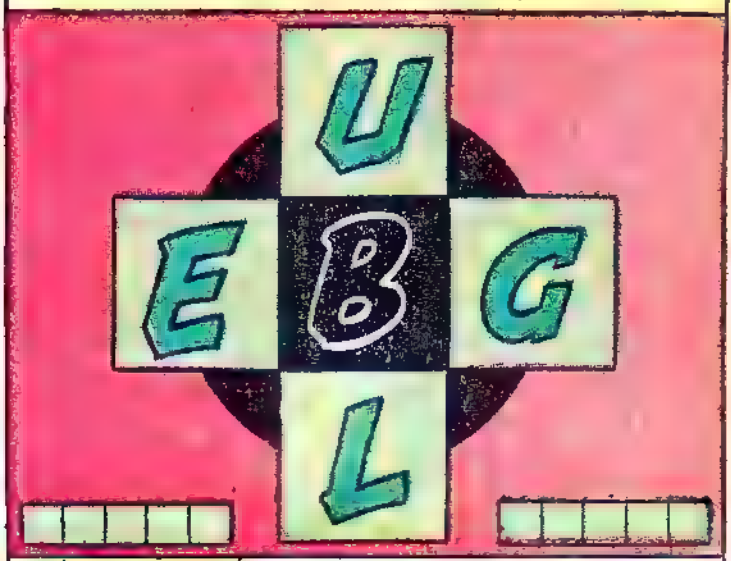
RIDDLE

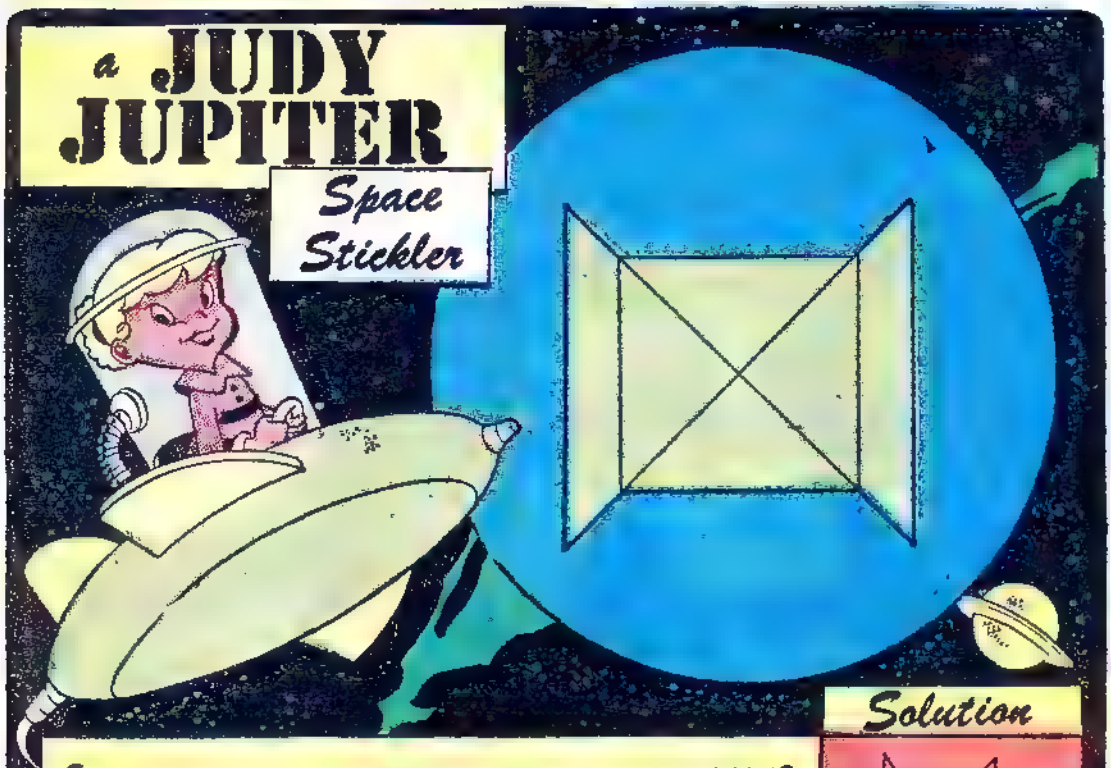
WHAT SIZE ?

CAN YOU SPELL 2 FIVE-LETTER WORDS, USING ALL FIVE LETTERS IN EACH WORD ?



The Answer ⇨ BUGLE - BUGLE

a JUDY JUPITER Space Stickler

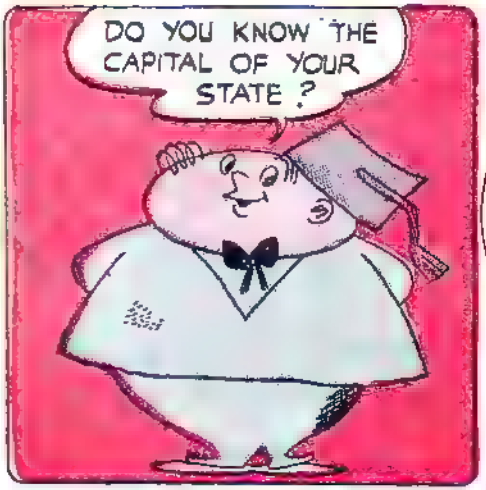


CAN YOU DRAW THIS DESIGN IN ONE CONTINUOUS PATH WITHOUT CROSSING A LINE OR LIFTING YOUR PENCIL FROM THE PAPER ?

Solution

KWIZZLERS

CAPITOL KWIZ



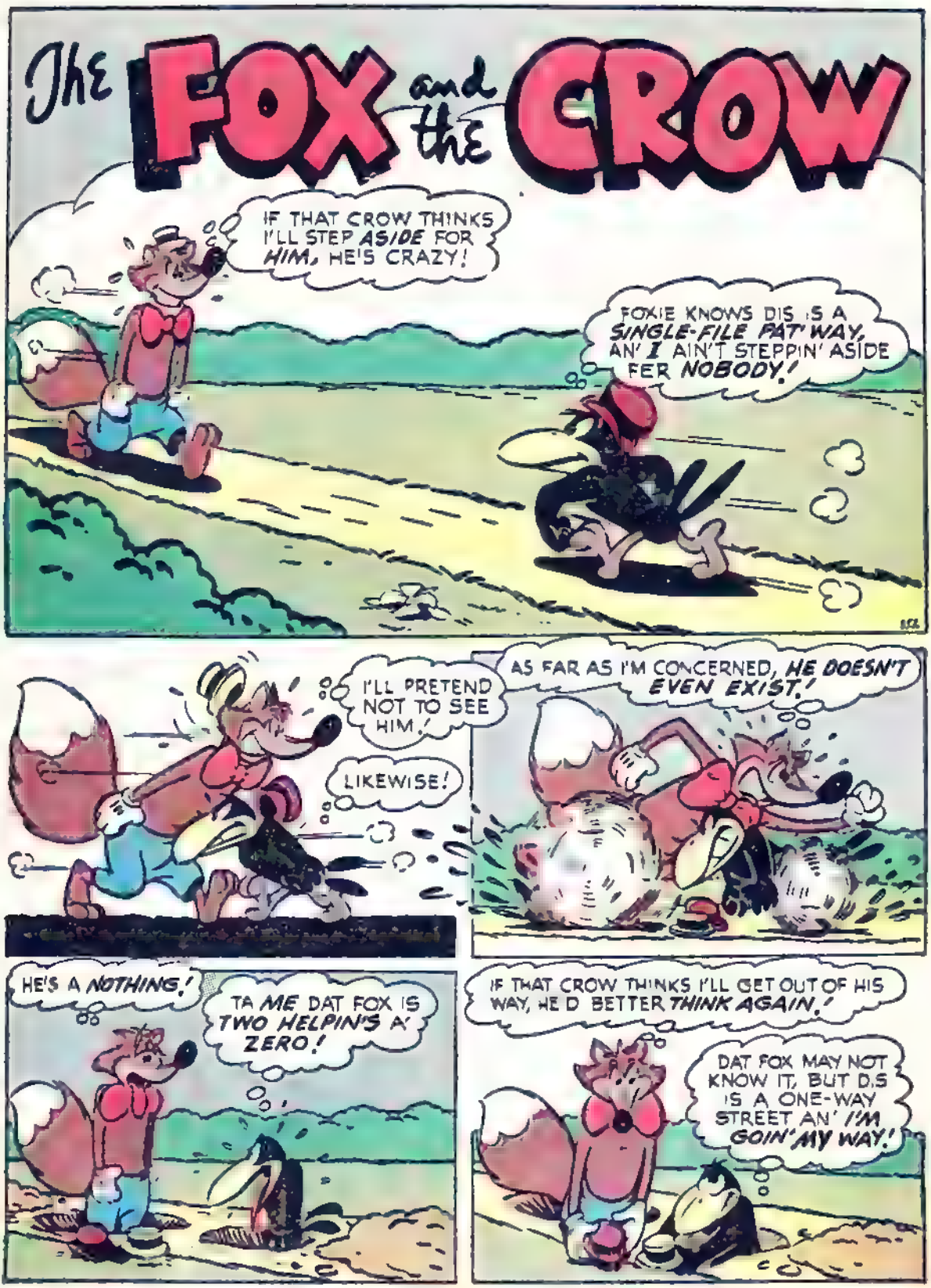
TIME LIMIT 10 MINUTES

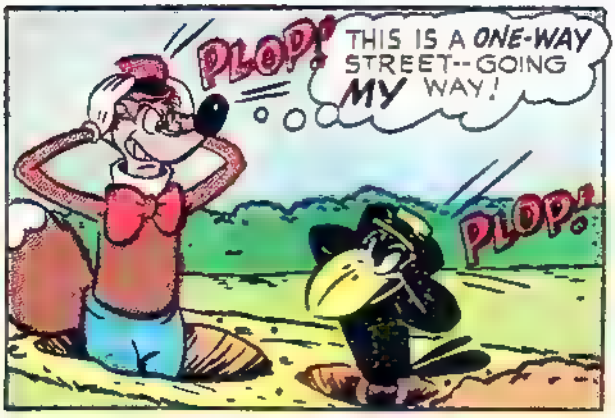
10 POINTS FOR EACH CORRECT ANSWER!

1. SANTA FE — *Your answer goes here*
2. LITTLE ROCK — *Your answer goes here*
3. FRANKFORT — *Your answer goes here*
4. MADISON — *Your answer goes here*
5. AUSTIN — *Your answer goes here*
6. LINCOLN — *Your answer goes here*
7. PHOENIX — *Your answer goes here*
8. JACKSON — *Your answer goes here*
9. JEFFERSON CITY — *Your answer goes here*
10. TOPEKA — *Your answer goes here*

The ANSWERS

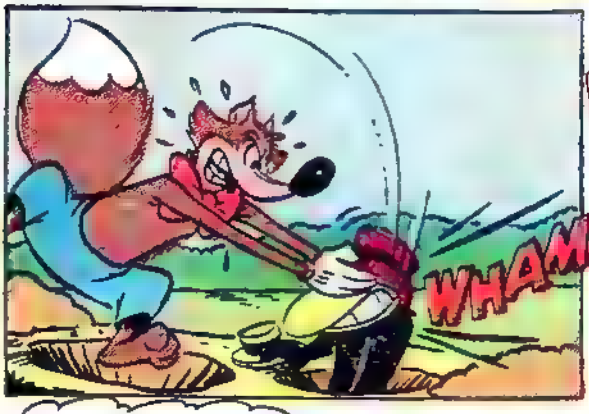
1-NEW MEXICO 2-ARKANSAS 3-KENTUCKY
4-WISCONSIN 5-TEXAS 6-NEBRASKA
7-ARIZONA 8-MISSISSIPPI 9-MISSOURI
10-KANSAS


The FOX and the CROW
IF THAT CROW THINKS I'LL STEP ASIDE FOR HIM, HE'S CRAZY!
FOXIE KNOWS DIS IS A SINGLE-FILE PAT' WAY, AN' I AIN'T STEPPIN' ASIDE FER NOBODY!
I'LL PRETEND NOT TO SEE HIM!
LIKEWISE!
AS FAR AS I'M CONCERNED, HE DOESN'T EVEN EXIST!
HE'S A NOTHING!
TA ME DAT FOX IS TWO HELPIN'S A' ZERO!
IF THAT CROW THINKS I'LL GET OUT OF HIS WAY, HE'D BETTER THINK AGAIN!
DAT FOX MAY NOT KNOW IT, BUT D.S IS A ONE-WAY STREET AN' I'M GOIN' MY WAY!


PLOP!
THIS IS A ONE-WAY STREET--GOING MY WAY!
PLOP!

DISGUSTING!

DIS IS REVOLTIN'!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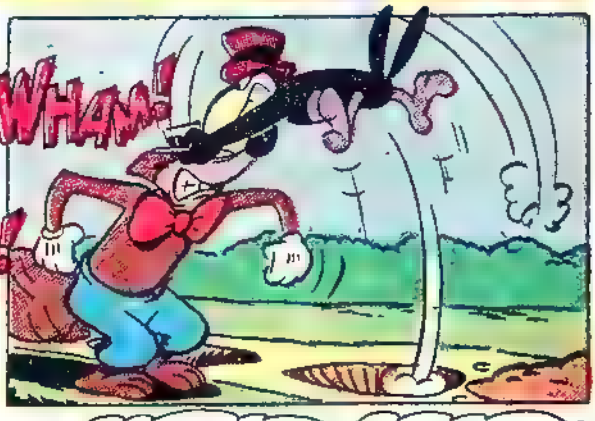
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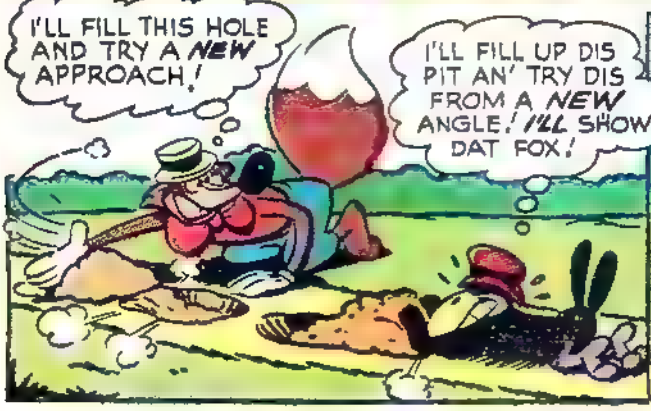
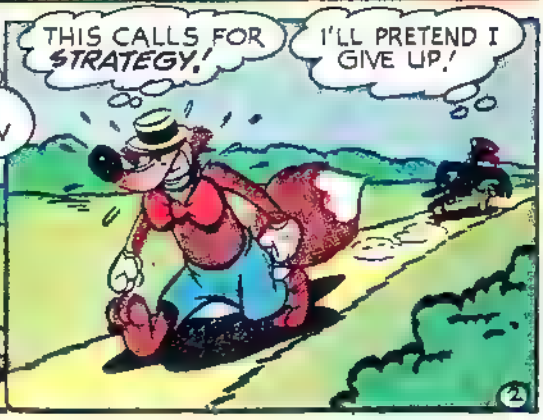
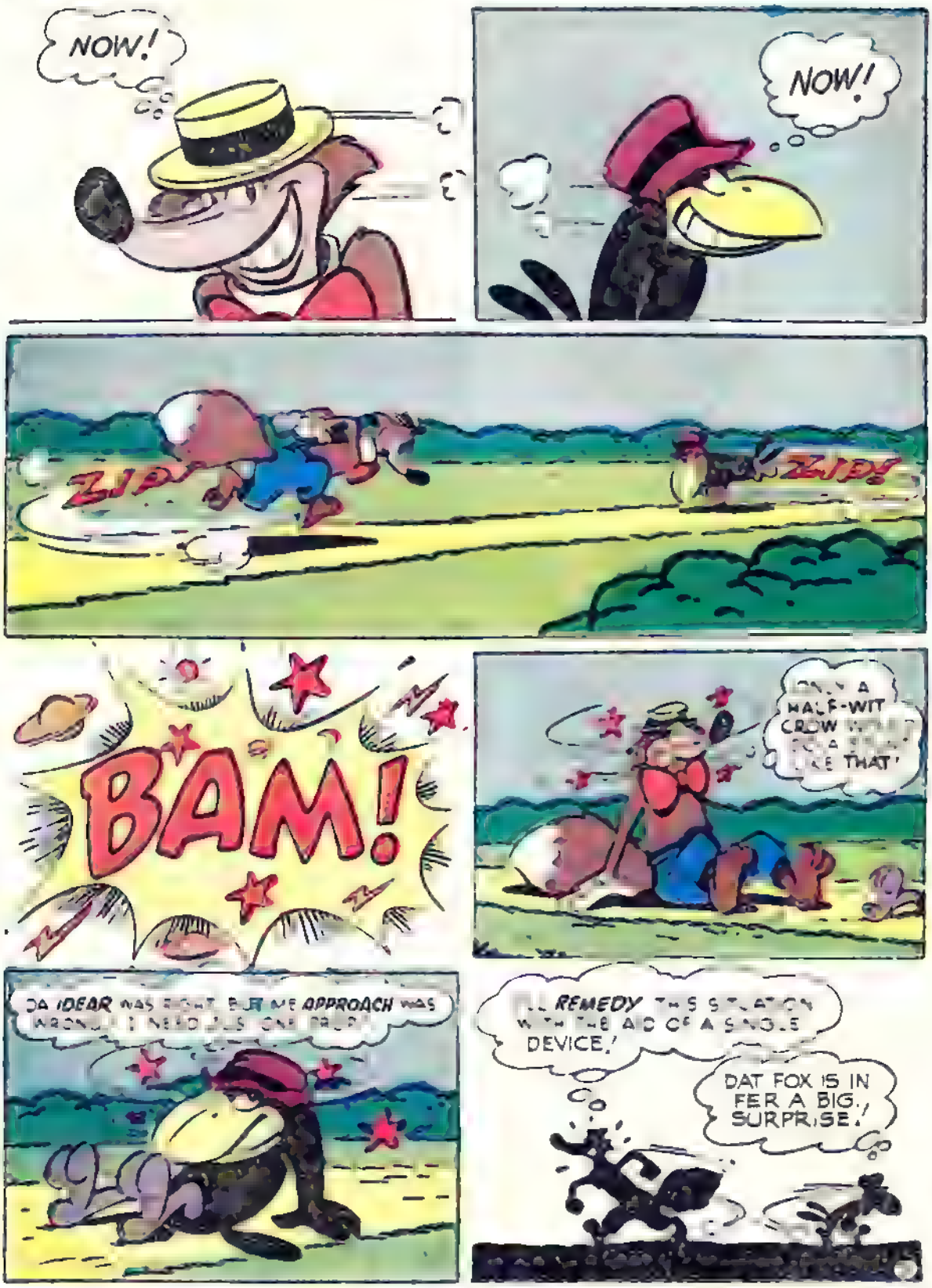
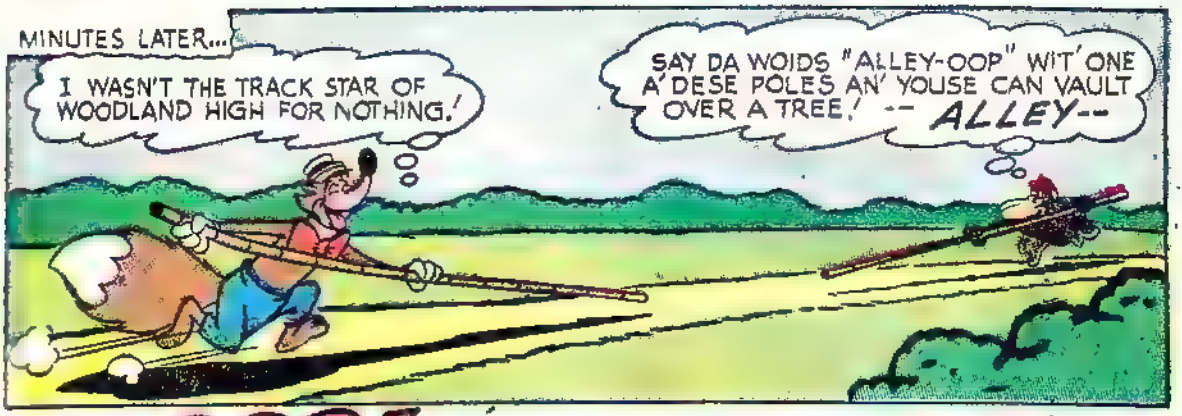
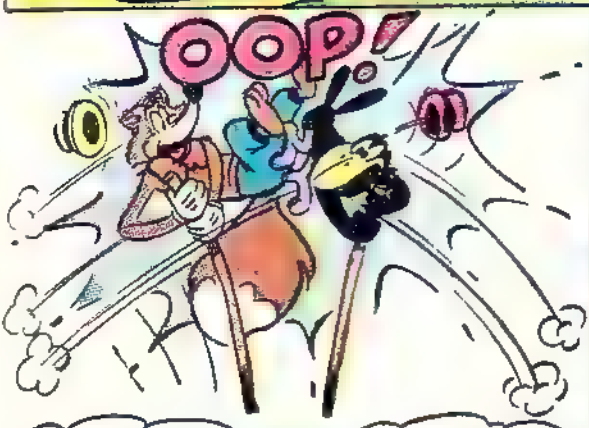

I'LL FILL THIS HOLE AND TRY A NEW APPROACH!
I'LL FILL UP DIS PIT AN' TRY DIS FROM A NEW ANGLE! I'LL SHOW DAT FOX!


THIS CALLS FOR STRATEGY!
I'LL PRETEND I GIVE UP!


NOW!
NOW!
ZIP!
ZIP!
BAM!
ONLY A HALF-WIT CROW WOULD FALL FOR A TRICK LIKE THAT!
DA IDEAR WAS RIGHT, BUT ME APPROACH WAS WRONG! I NEED JUS' ONE TRICK!
I'LL REMEDY THIS SITUATION WITH THE AID OF A SINGLE DEVICE!
DAT FOX IS IN FER A BIG SURPRISE!


MINUTES LATER...
I WASN'T THE TRACK STAR OF WOODLAND HIGH FOR NOTHING!
SAY DA WOIDS "ALLEY-OOP" WIT' ONE A' DESE POLES AN' YOUSE CAN VAULT OVER A TREE! -- ALLEY--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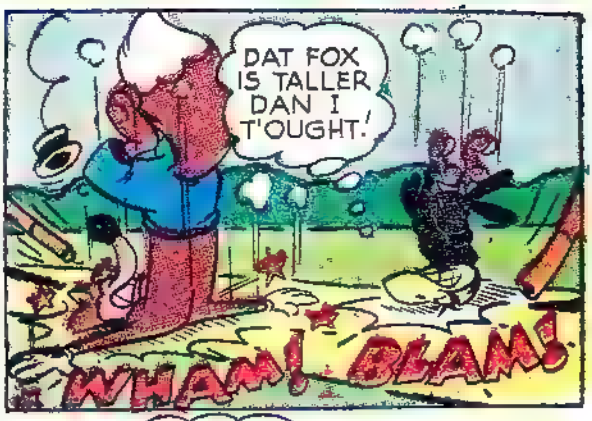
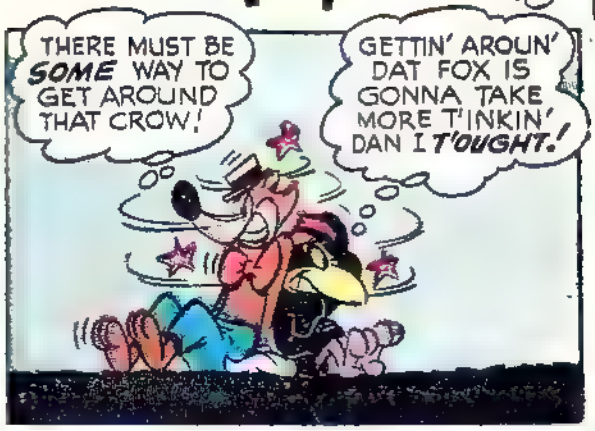
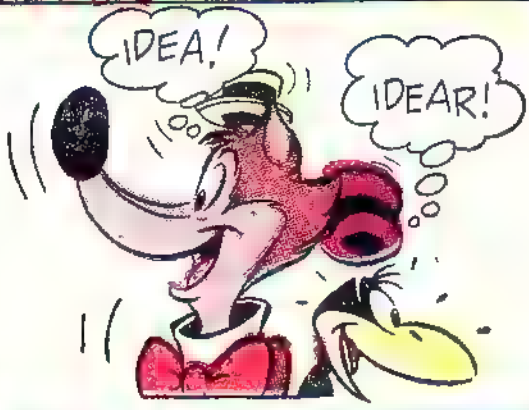
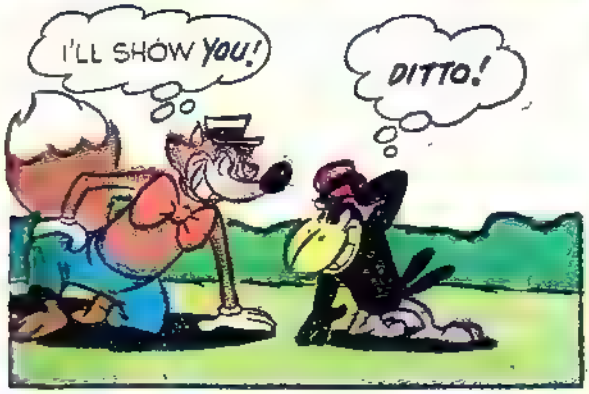
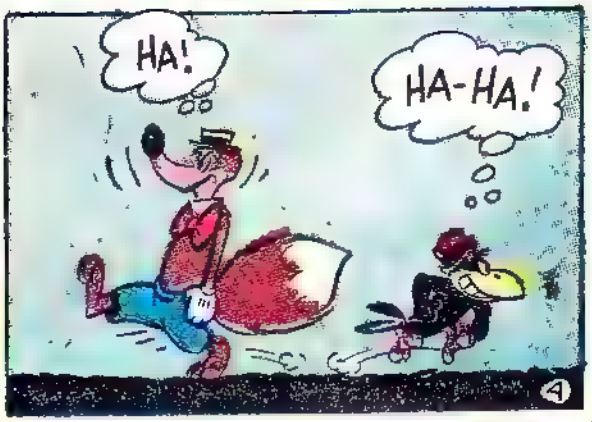

DAT FOX IS TALLER DAN I T'OUGHT!
WHAM! BLAM!


THERE MUST BE SOME WAY TO GET AROUND THAT CROW!
GETTIN' AROUN' DAT FOX IS GONNA TAKE MORE T'INKIN' DAN I T'OUGHT!


IDEA!
IDEAR!


I'LL SHOW YOU!
DITTO!


HA!
HA-HA!
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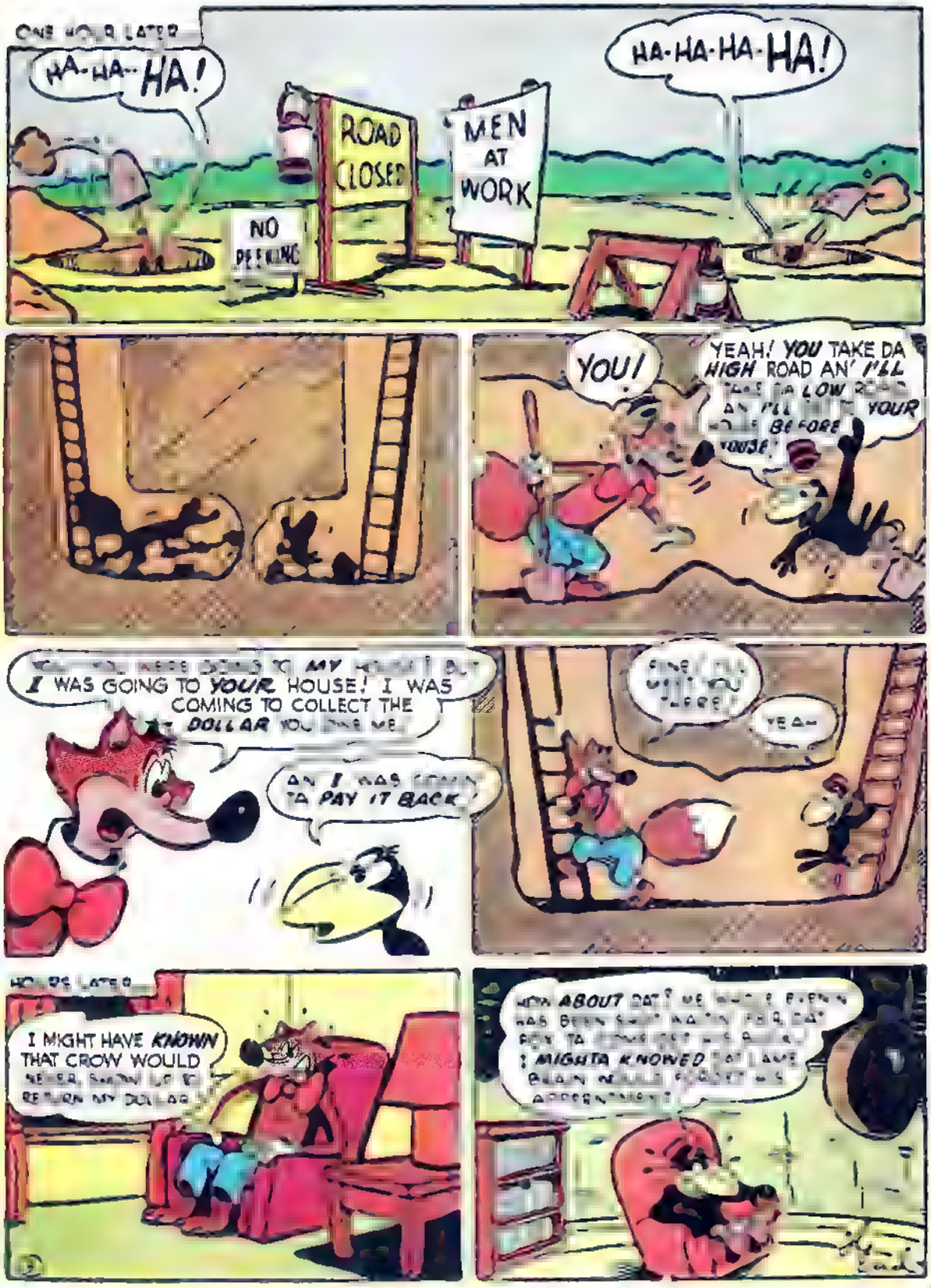
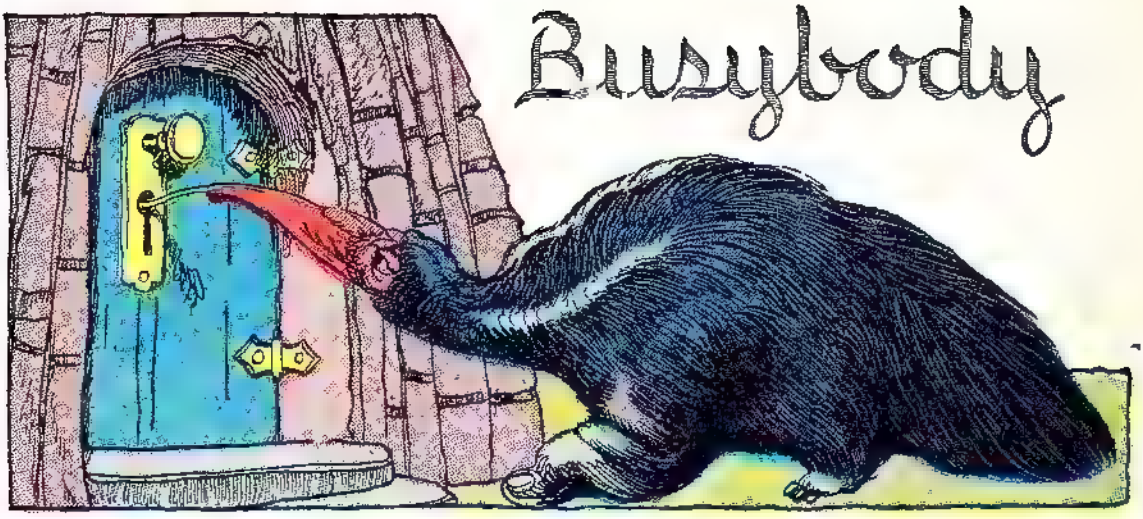

ONE HOUR LATER
HA-HA-HA!
HA-HA-HA-HA!
ROAD CLOSED
MEN AT WORK
NO PEEKING
YOU!
YEAH! YOU TAKE DA HIGH ROAD AN' I'LL
I WAS GOING TO YOUR HOUSE! I WAS COMING TO COLLECT THE
DOLLAR
AN I WAS GOIN TA PAY IT BACK!
YEAH
HOURS LATER
I MIGHT HAVE KNOWN THAT CROW WOULD
ABOUT DAT?
I MIGHTA KNOWED

Busybody



"SAY, Adolph, can't you mind your own business?"

Adolph Anteater hung his head. "Sorry," he said. "I was just curious."

Sadly Adolph wandered home. This was *always* happening to him. People were forever telling him to mind his own business. Gee, he thought, it wasn't his fault if he got so interested in other people. Why did they always have to get so *mad* at him?

Adolph was passing a store and he looked in. What he saw shocked him—shocked him *so* very much, in fact, that he just *had* to pop into the store and screech at the owner, "*Hey!* You're being *robbed!*"

The owner asked him what on earth he was talking about. Adolph pointed to a man he'd seen through the door. The man was wandering casually through the grocery store aisles, stopping here and there and picking up things to eat—now a walnut, now a candy bar. "Don't you see that guy's *stealing* from you?" demanded Adolph.

"Stealing!" snorted the store owner. "That guy's *my brother*. He can eat anything he pleases around here. Now get out, mister, and—" Adolph cringed, knowing only too well what the next sentence would be—"*mind your own business!*"

Well, as you can see, Adolph didn't butt into other people's business on *purpose*. He didn't do it to be mean. He *meant* well, Adolph did, but he never seemed to be appreciated. As he walked home from the store, it happened *seven more times*! One fellow said, "*Stick your nose out of my business, will you, bud?*"—which was quite a new twist for Adolph. He hadn't known his *nose* had anything to do with his curiosity.

But . . . all of a sudden . . . it gave him an *idea!*

The next day all of Adolph's acquaintances were amazed to see his nose painted *bright red!*

"Who do you think *you* are?" they joked. "Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer?"

"No," Adolph answered. "I'm a walking advertisement." Then he ex-

plained what it was all about. He said that he was sick of being insulted by people who thought he should mind his own business. From now on he was *going* to do just that—*mind his own business.* And . . . asked his friends . . . what *was* this new business of his?

"*My new business,*" Adolph told them, "*is minding other people's business!*"

And sure enough, Adolph's plan worked! A lot of people had *hated* Adolph for butting into *their* affairs to satisfy his *own* curiosity. But now a lot of people were *paying* him to pry into other people's business to satisfy *their* curiosity. It was a very curious affair all the way through.

Adolph's bright red nose matched the bright red nose which was on his business stationery and on his billboard ads: *This nose—the ads read—can butt into your business better than anybody else's in the world . . . if you need a busybody, hire the best busybody of all . . . ADOLPH ANTEATER!*

Adolph was a success. It seemed as if *everybody* wanted to know *something* about *somebody else's business!* As soon as a person got curious, or nosey, he just called Adolph in . . . and soon they had their information.

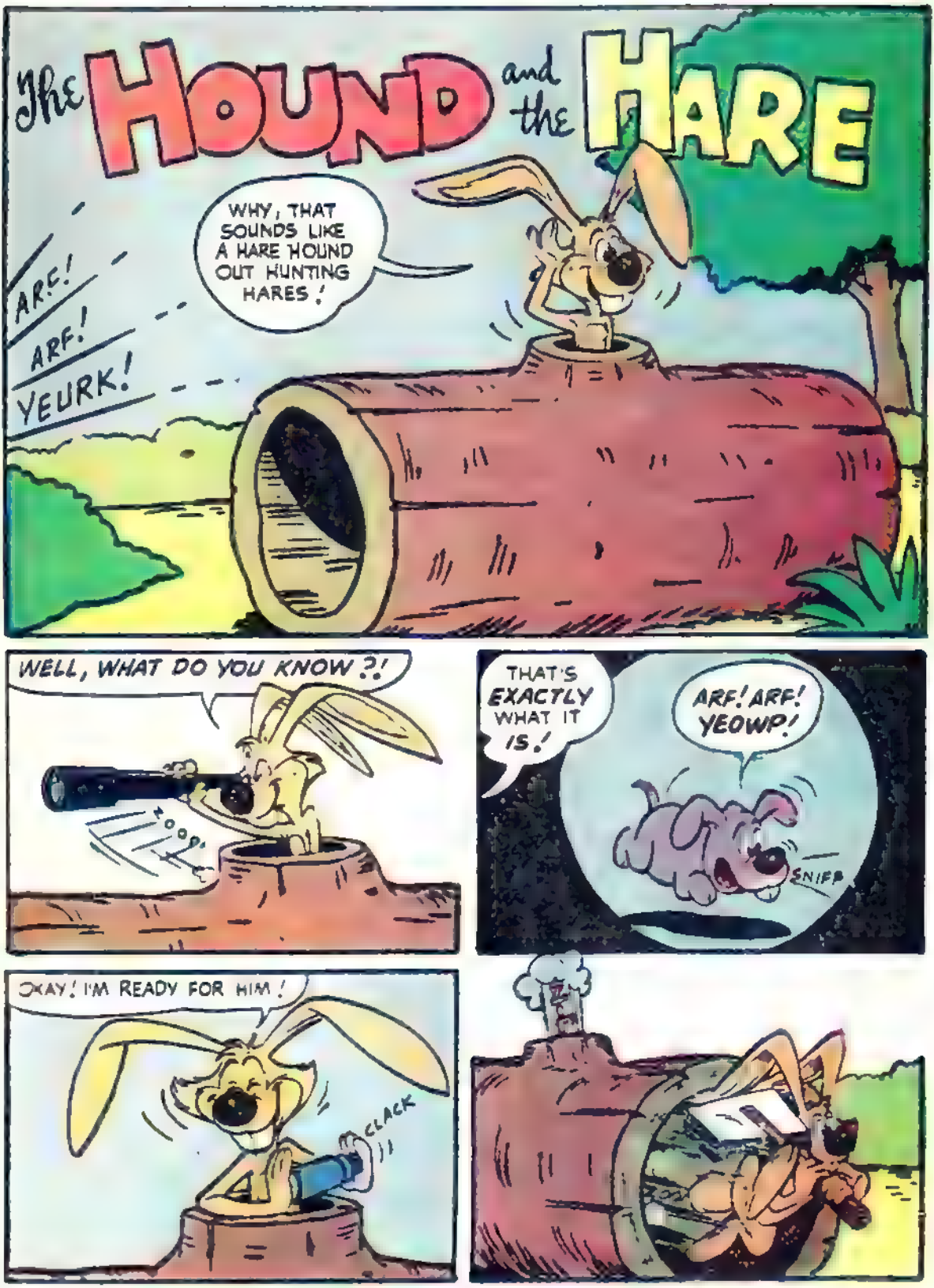
A typical working day of Adolph's went like this:

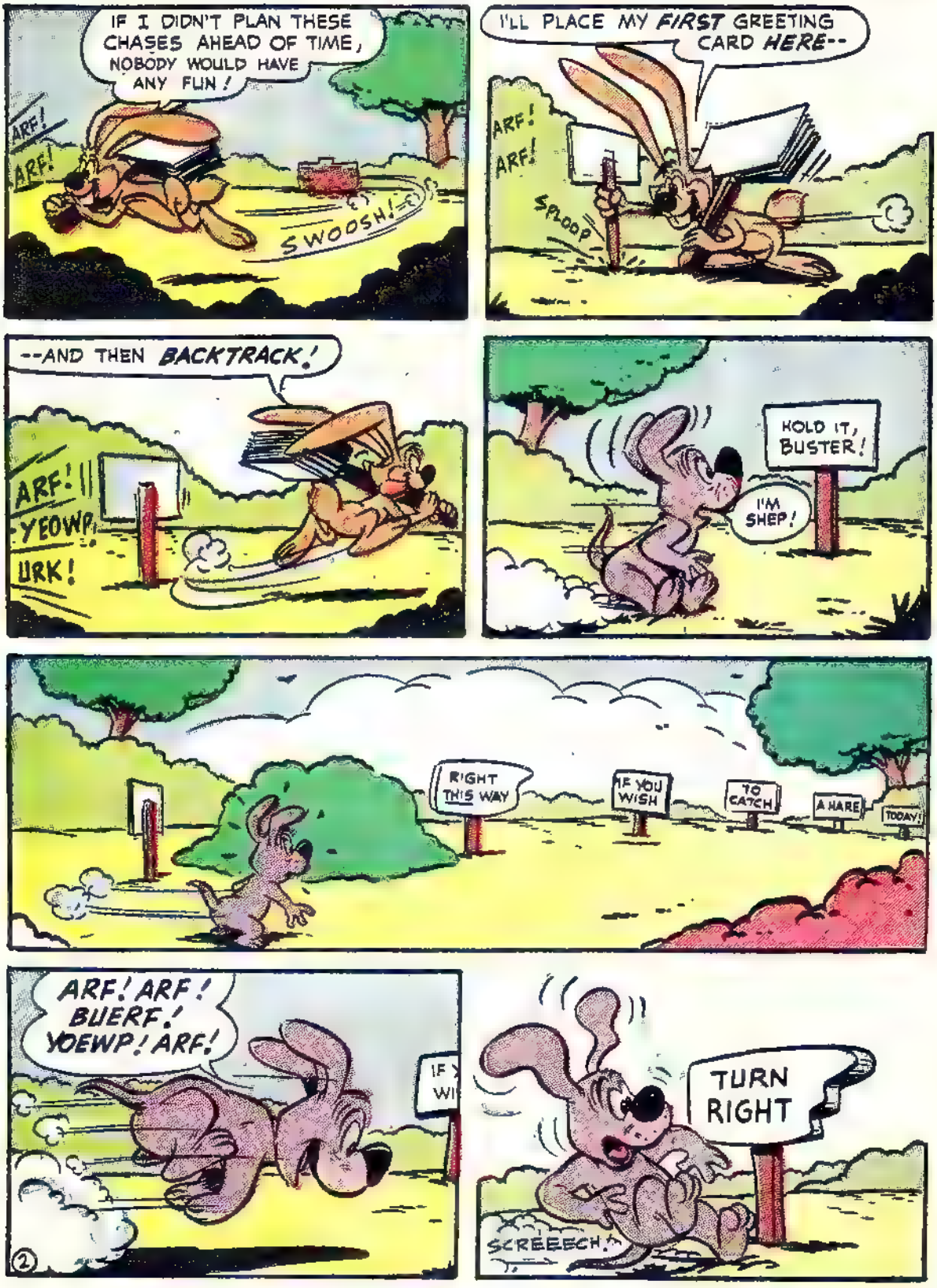
At nine a.m. he butt his nose into Mrs. Squirrel's business. He found out that her blonde hair wasn't natural; it was dyed. He reported this information to Mrs. Chipmunk, who had asked for it, and she paid him a fee for butting his nose into Mrs. Squirrel's business. Then at 10 a.m. *Mrs. Squirrel* paid him to go spy on *Mrs. Chipmunk* and find out if she removed her teeth at bedtime, which would prove once and for all what Mrs. Squirrel had suspected all along—*that Mrs. Chipmunk's gorgeous teeth were false!* When Adolph had sufficiently stuck his nose into Mrs. Chipmunk's business, he reported back to his client that the teeth were, indeed, as false as Mrs. Squirrel's hair-color. And so it went, all day long.

There came a day, however, when the famous red nose which was Adolph's business symbol came in for a beating. He was on a routine job, sticking his nose into the business of a certain Mr. Panther, whose neighbor, Mr. Tiger, had hired Adolph. Mr. Tiger wanted Adolph to discover where Mr. Panther had put the garden shears he had borrowed months before from Mr. Panther. Adolph was nosily prying around in Mr. Panther's flower-bed when suddenly an enormous fist shot out—WHAM!—right onto Adolph's nose. "*Get out of here!*" yelled a panther's voice. "*Go mind your own business!*"

The next day all of Adolph Anteater's advertisements received a slight change. His business symbol was no longer a *red* nose. It had been changed to two shades—black and blue, to match his real nose! Yes, his nose had been bruised black and blue by Mr. Panther's fist. But Adolph didn't mind.

"It's worth a punch in the nose now and then," he philosophized, "to be the WORLD'S BUSIEST BUSYBODY!"


The HOUND and the HARE
WHY, THAT SOUNDS LIKE A HARE HOUND OUT HUNTING HARES!
ARF!
ARF!
YEURK!
WELL, WHAT DO YOU KNOW?!
ZOOP!
THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT IT IS!
ARF! ARF! YEOWP!
SNIFF
OKAY! I'M READY FOR HIM!
CLACK


IF I DIDN'T PLAN THESE CHASES AHEAD OF TIME, NOBODY WOULD HAVE ANY FUN!
ARF!
ARF!
SWOOSH!
I'LL PLACE MY FIRST GREETING CARD HERE--
ARF!
ARF!
SPLOOP
--AND THEN BACKTRACK!
ARF!
YEOWP!
URK!
HOLD IT, BUSTER!
I'M SHEP!
RIGHT THIS WAY
IF YOU WISH
TO CATCH
A HARE
TODAY!
ARF! ARF! BUERF! YOEWP! ARF!
TURN RIGHT
SCREEECH!
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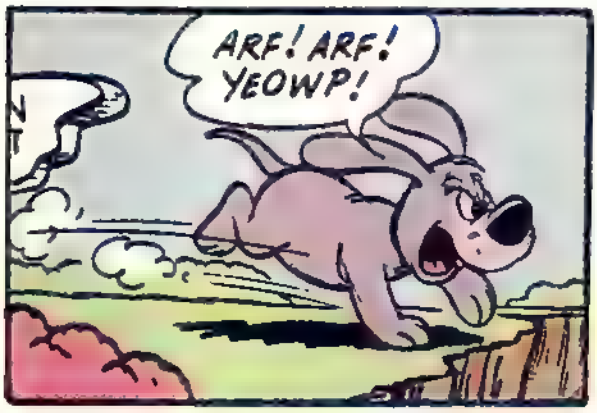
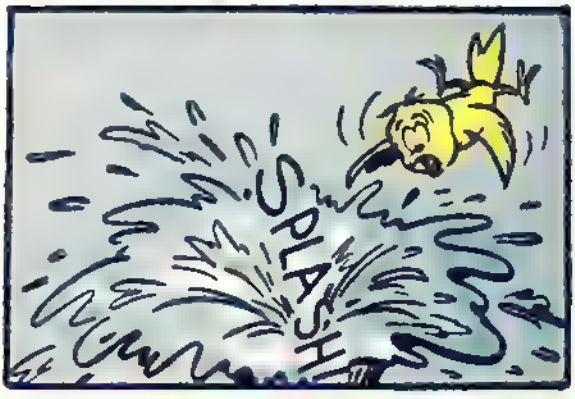
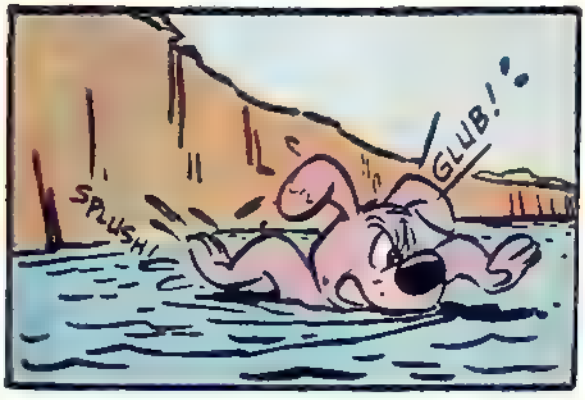
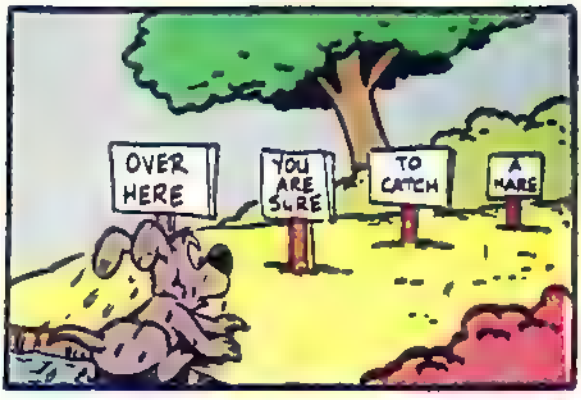

ARF! ARF!
YEOWP!

ULP!

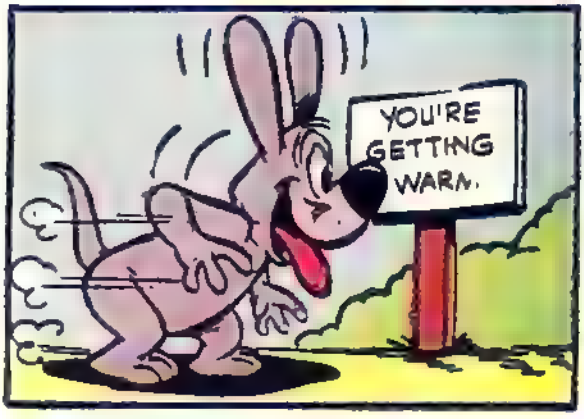
YEOOW!
ZIP

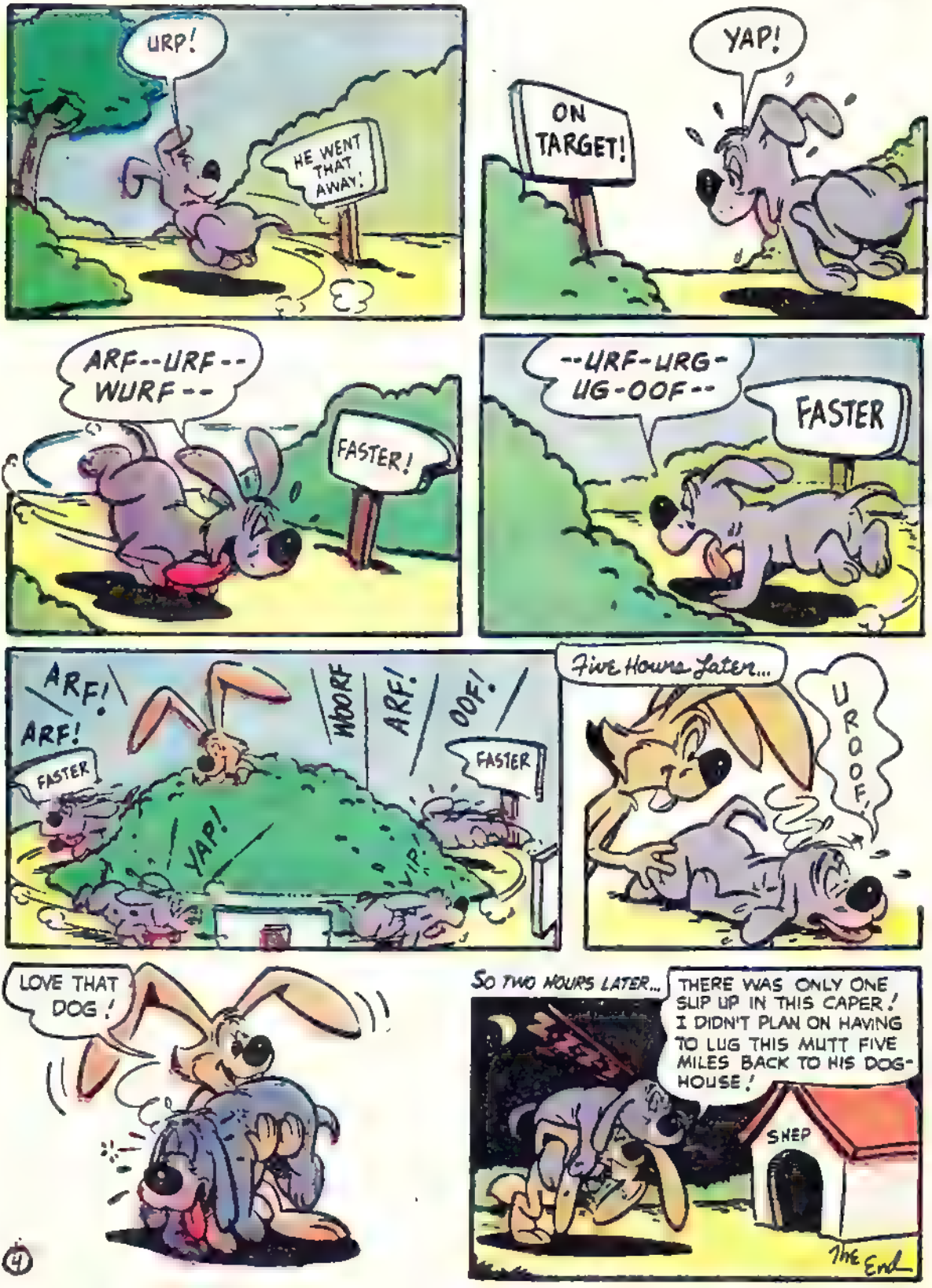

SPLASH


GLUB!
SPLUSH!

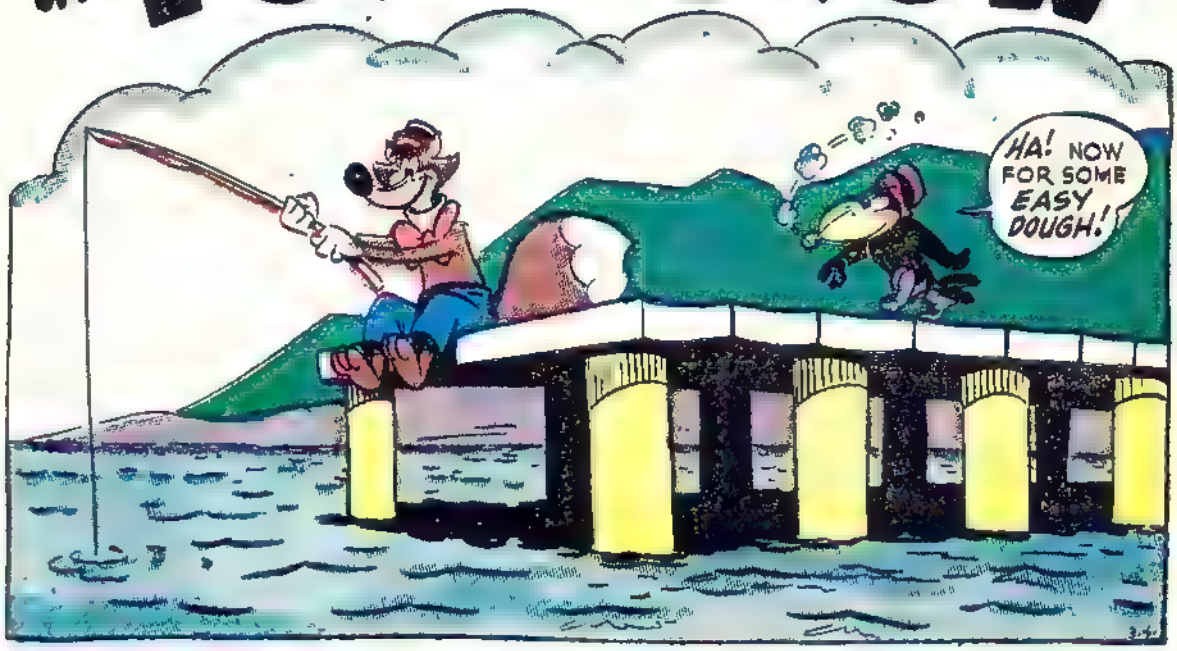

OVER HERE
YOU ARE SURE
TO CATCH
A HARE

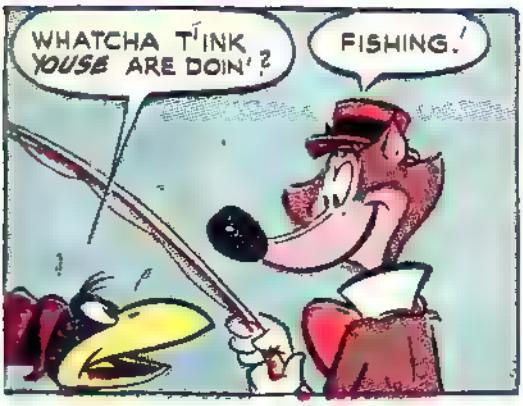
ARF! URF!
WOORF!
ARRURF!
SNIFF!
SNOOF!

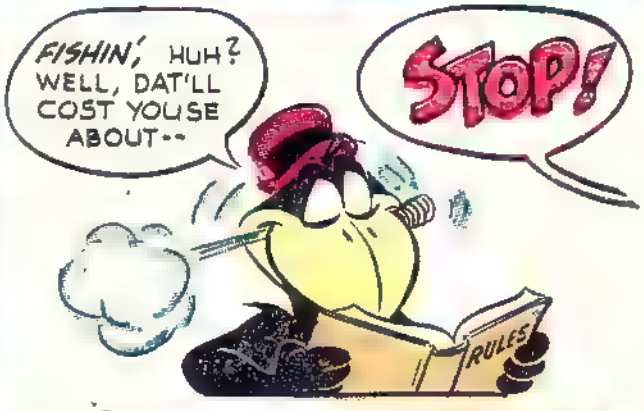

YOU'RE GETTING WARM.

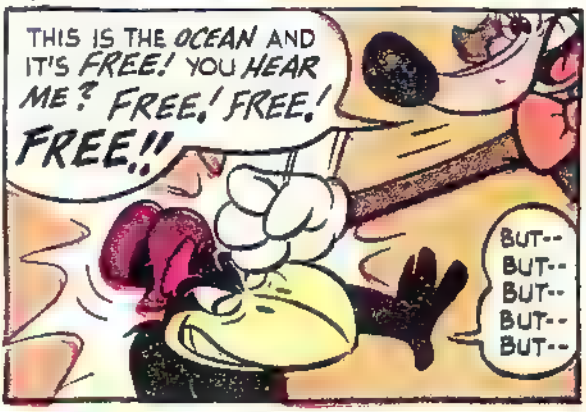

URP!
HE WENT THAT AWAY!
YAP!
ON TARGET!
ARF--URF--WURF--
FASTER!
--URF-URG-UG-OOF--
FASTER
ARF!
ARF!
FASTER
WOORF
ARF!
OOF!
FASTER
YAP!
YIP!
Five Hours Later...
UROOF!
LOVE THAT DOG!
SO TWO HOURS LATER...
THERE WAS ONLY ONE SLIP UP IN THIS CAPER! I DIDN'T PLAN ON HAVING TO LUG THIS MUTT FIVE MILES BACK TO HIS DOG-HOUSE!
SNEP
THE END

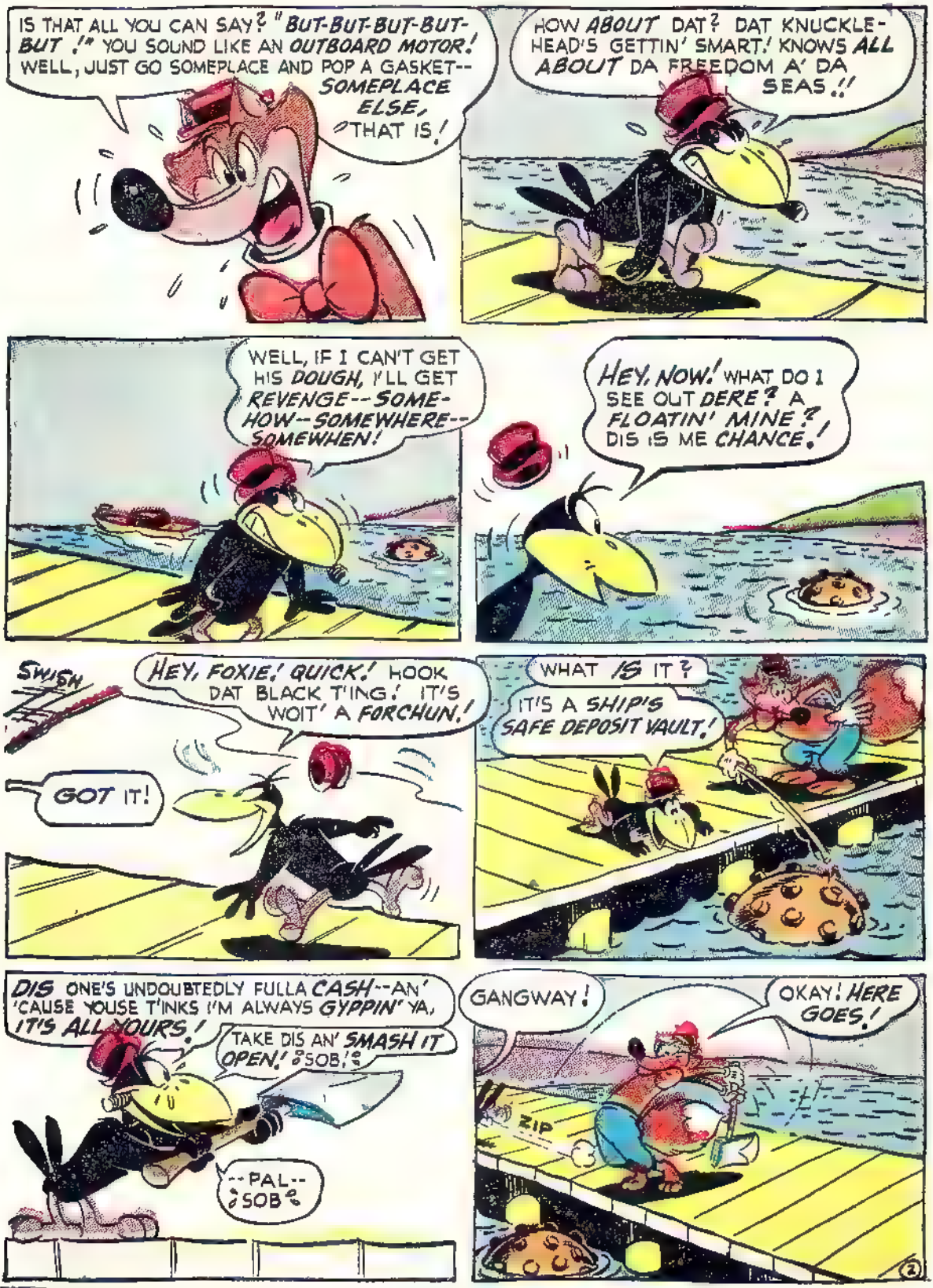
the FOX and the CROW










IS THAT ALL YOU CAN SAY? "BUT-BUT-BUT-BUT-BUT!" YOU SOUND LIKE AN OUTBOARD MOTOR! WELL, JUST GO SOMEPLACE AND POP A GASKET-- SOMEPLACE ELSE, THAT IS!
HOW ABOUT DAT? DAT KNUCKLE-HEAD'S GETTIN' SMART! KNOWS ALL ABOUT DA FREEDOM A' DA SEAS!!
WELL, IF I CAN'T GET HIS DOUGH, I'LL GET REVENGE--SOME-HOW--SOMEWHERE--SOMEWHEN!
HEY, NOW! WHAT DO I SEE OUT DERE? A FLOATIN' MINE? DIS IS ME CHANCE!
SWISH
HEY, FOXIE! QUICK! HOOK DAT BLACK T'ING! IT'S WOIT' A FORCHUN!
GOT IT!
WHAT IS IT?
IT'S A SHIP'S SAFE DEPOSIT VAULT!
DIS ONE'S UNDOUBTEDLY FULLA CASH--AN' 'CAUSE YOUSE T'INKS I'M ALWAYS GYPPIN' YA, IT'S ALL YOURS!
TAKE DIS AN' SMASH IT OPEN! SOB!
--PAL-- SOB
GANGWAY!
OKAY! HERE GOES!
ZIP
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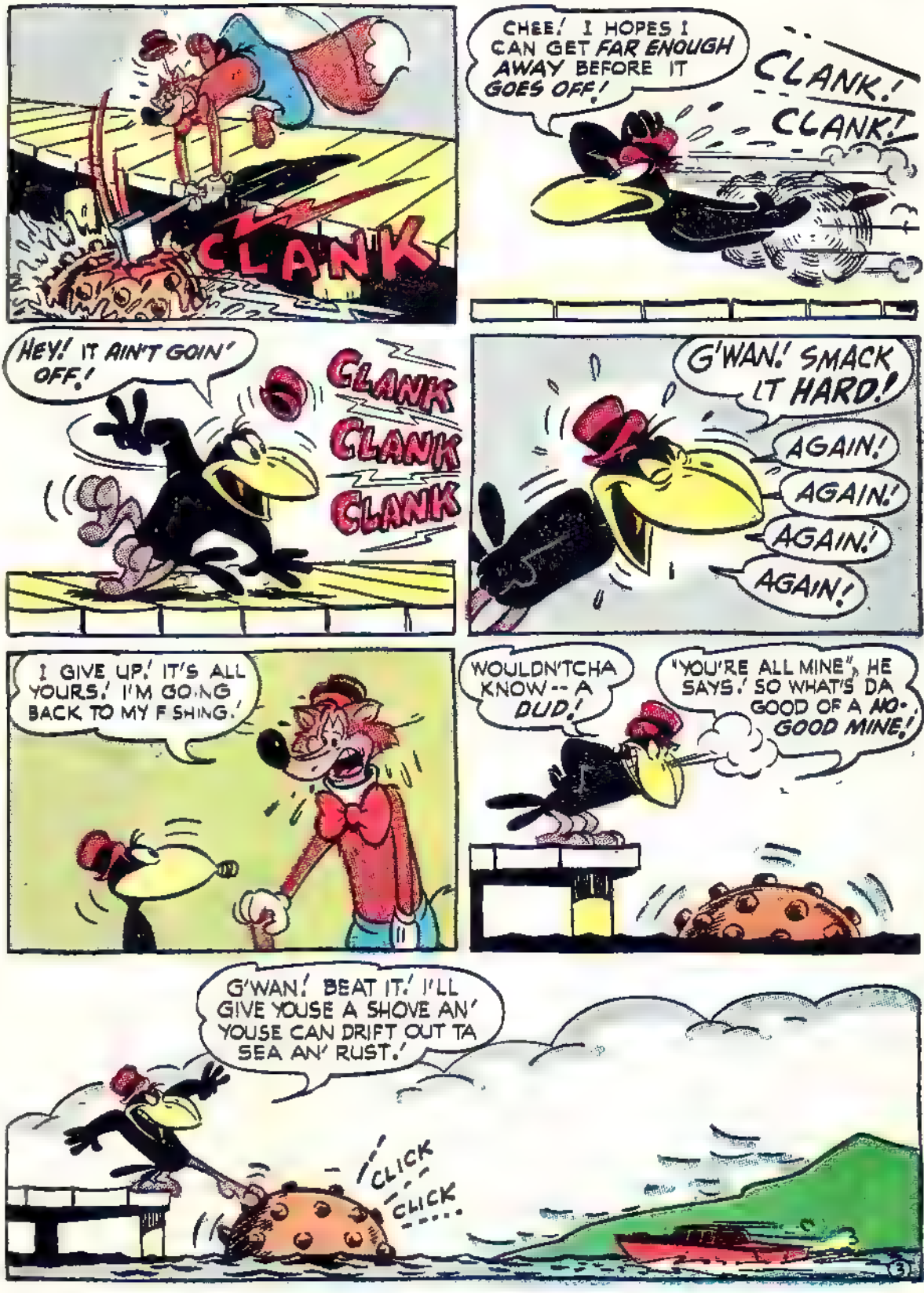
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CHEE! I HOPES I CAN GET FAR ENOUGH AWAY BEFORE IT GOES OFF!
CLANK!
CLANK!
HEY! IT AIN'T GOIN' OFF!
CLANK
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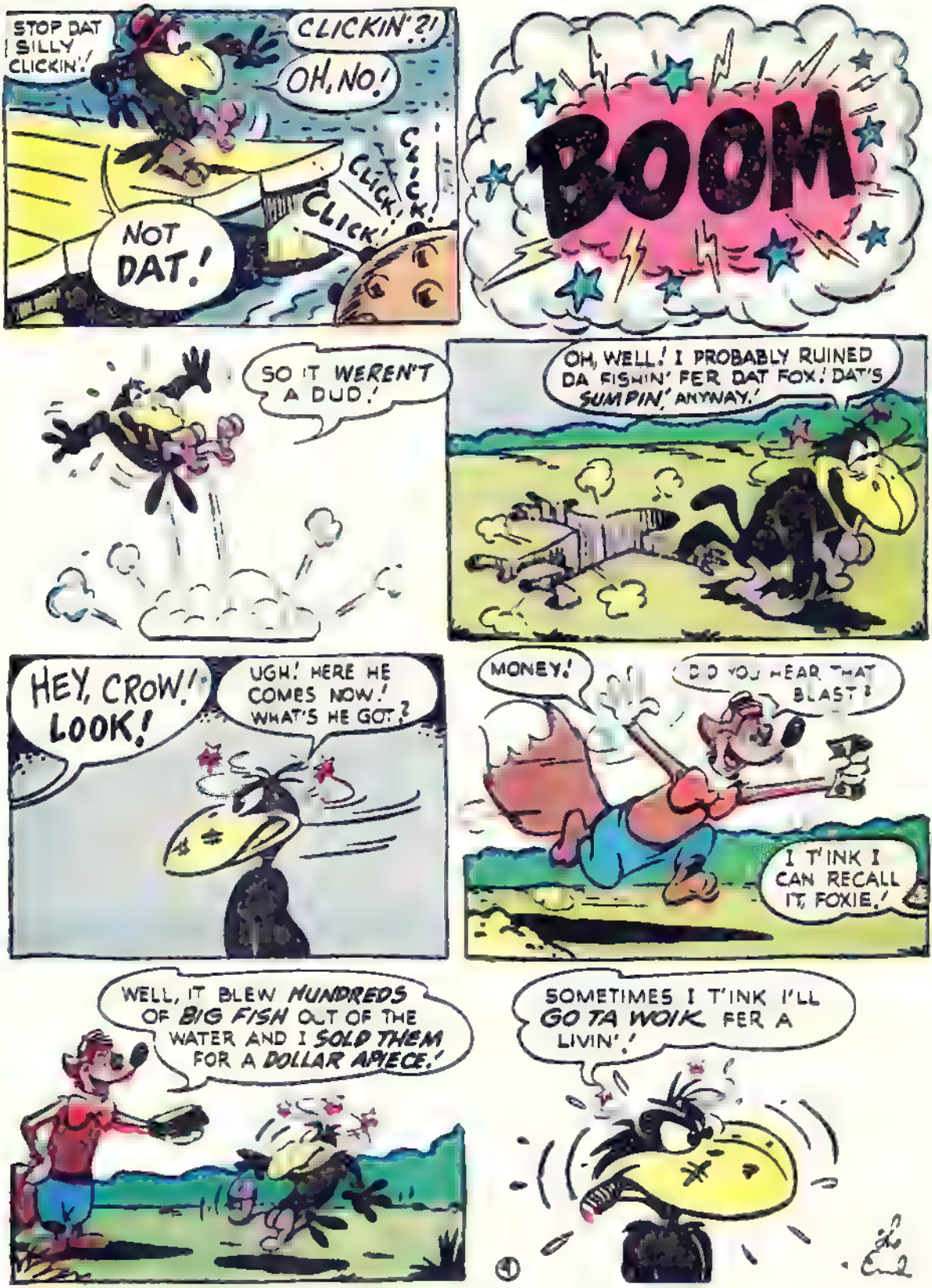
CLANK
G'WAN! SMACK IT HARD!
AGAIN!
AGAIN!
AGAIN!
AGAIN!
I GIVE UP! IT'S ALL YOURS! I'M GOING BACK TO MY F SHING!
WOULDN'TCHA KNOW -- A DUD!
"YOU'RE ALL MINE", HE SAYS! SO WHAT'S DA GOOD OF A NO-GOOD MINE!
G'WAN! BEAT IT! I'LL GIVE YOUSE A SHOVE AN' YOUSE CAN DRIFT OUT TA SEA AN' RUST!
CLICK
CLICK


STOP DAT SILLY CLICKIN'!
CLICKIN'?!
OH, NO!
CLICK!
CLICK!
CLICK!
NOT DAT!
BOOM
SO IT WEREN'T A DUD!
OH, WELL! I PROBABLY RUINED DA FISHIN' FER DAT FOX! DAT'S SUMPIN', ANYWAY!
HEY, CROW! LOOK!
UGH! HERE HE COMES NOW! WHAT'S HE GOT?
MONEY!
DO YOU HEAR THAT BLAST?
I T'INK I CAN RECALL IT, FOXIE!
WELL, IT BLEW HUNDREDS OF BIG FISH OUT OF THE WATER AND I SOLD THEM FOR A DOLLAR APIECE!
SOMETIMES I T'INK I'LL GO TA WOIK FER A LIVIN'!

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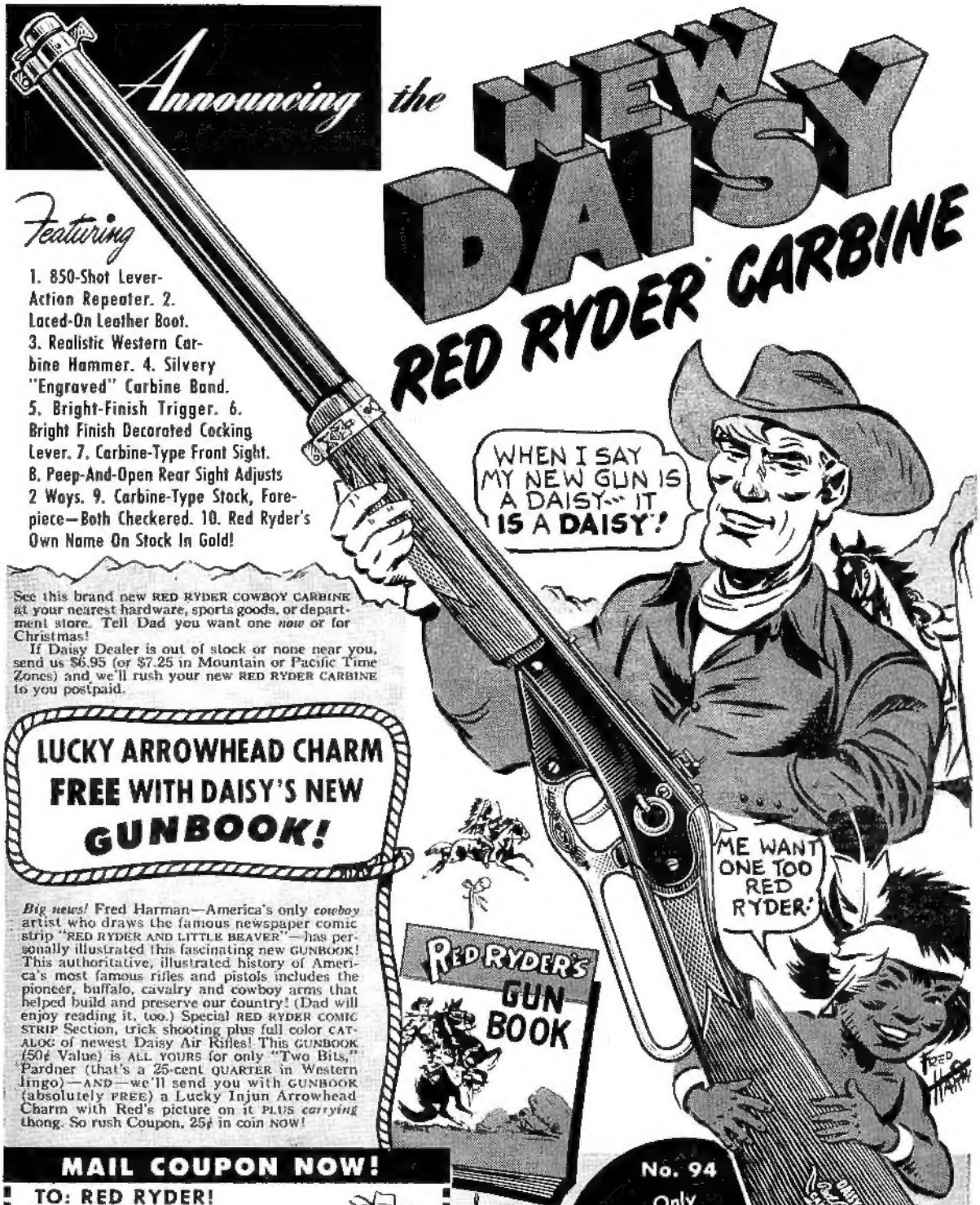

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